The Echo

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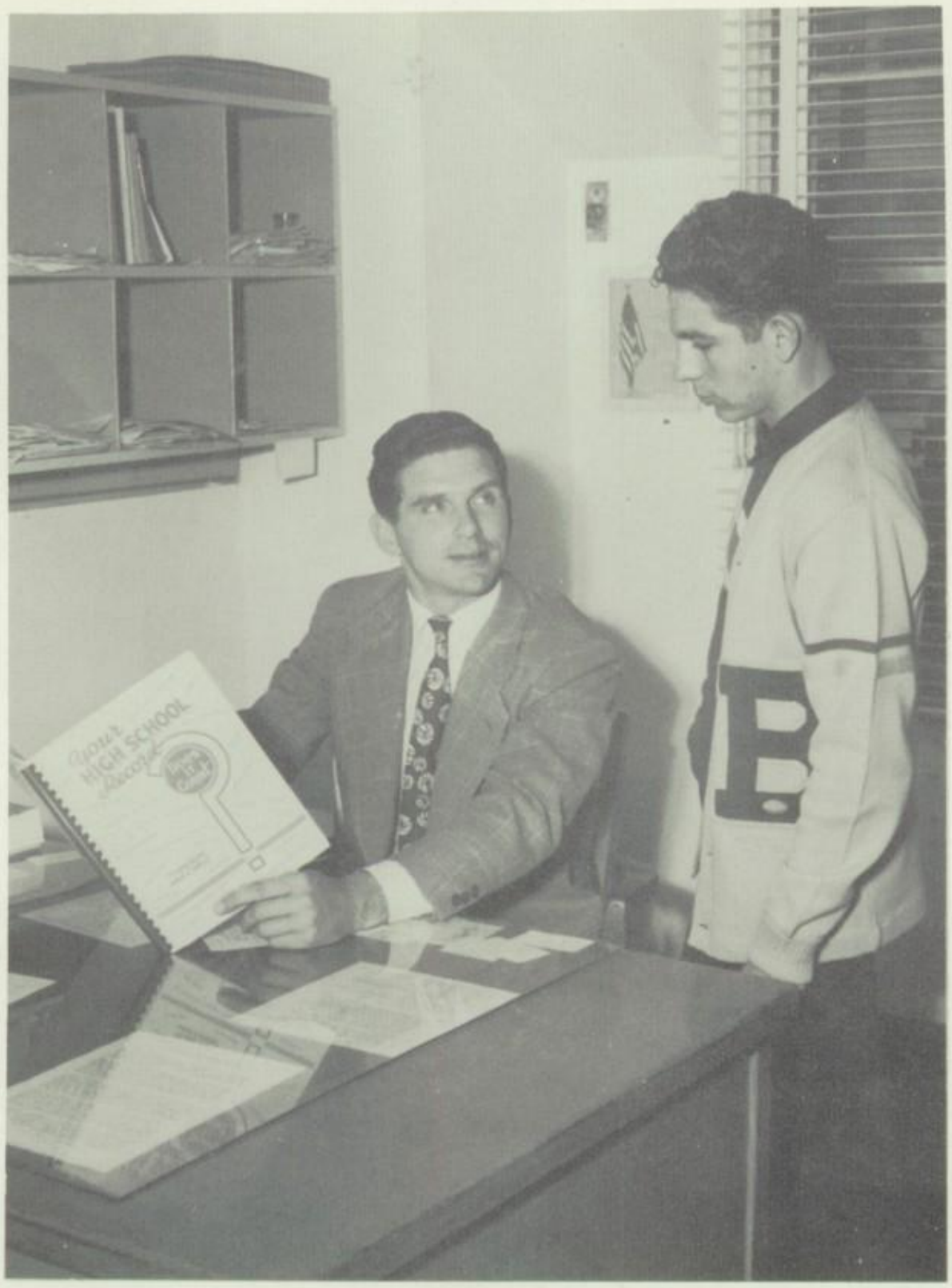
1950

PALO VERDE VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL

BLYTHE, CALIFORNIA

Dedication

It is with great pleasure that we, The Echo staff of 1950, dedicate this annual to the fine, effilicent administration and faculty under which the class of "50" graduates. We believe that through your tireless work and unselfish effort, there will result an even more excellent program for scholastic and athletic opportunities.



One hundred years ago, the new and vigorous State of California was admitted to the Union. The land embraced by its boundaries has blossomed into a land of prosperous wealth and opportunities. Pioneers with vision and courage who have endured trials and hardships, have helped shape the destiny of our great State.

This heritage is waiting to be coupled with your youth, vigor, and courage. We are proud to help launch you on your various careers and hope that you face the challenges, problems, and dangers with the same relentless determination that the moulders of this State have demonstrated.

That we may some day bask in the reflection of your accomplishments will be a reward in itself.

We salute the graduating class of 1950 and stand quietly watching them as they take their places in society as worthy citizens.

Murrell Miller
Principal

"Time marches on" and with it the close of another school year. This past school year has been filled with many changes and we still find many challenges in our school, community, state, nation and world.

To you seniors who are going forth from us this year, rests in your hands and hands of many others of your age, the destiny of future civilization.

To those of you who remain with us in school: it is our desire to prepare you, not only academically, but provide for your education in the broadest sense of its meaning; so that you too will be well fitted to take your place in society.

The rights and privileges of education are yours. Consider them as such and your success will be inevitable.

David N. Davidson

FACULTY

Doris R. Barker
English

Marilyn Carson
Physical Education

Evangeline Cox
Home Economics

Leslie Cullum
Industrial Arts

Phillip Groth
Mathematics

Seymour Gross
Science

Charles W. Hutchison
Commercial

Evan D. Jones
Social Science

Effie L. Knox
Community Problems

Edwin Levy
Commercial

Alma M. Martin
English

Edgar Vertrees
Vocational Auto Mechanics

Dorothy J. Villard
Spanish

Albert O. Wight
Vocational Arts

Richard G. Wright
Commercial

Blanche O. Wright
English, Journalism, and Chorus

William Zimmer
Vocational Agriculture

OFFICE STAFF
Mrs. Fanchon Keele, Mrs. Marshall, and Miss Blackman

MAINTENANCE STAFF
Boone Conley and Lyman Hall

STUDENT COUNCIL

STUDENT BODY OFFICERS

Louie Linares.....President
James Jones.....Vice President
Doris Eubanks.....Secretary
Joyce Sterling.....Treasurer

The opportunity of serving as Palo Verde's Student Body President has afforded me the privilege of knowing the true spirit which presides over our school. Although to outward appearances this year has been pretty much the same as other years, to the person who has followed the actions of the council the situation appears differently. I sincerely hope that due to the initiative of the student council and the student body that those issues which have appeared before us have been dealt with to the satisfaction of all. Many thanks to the teachers, the office staff, the student council members, and the student body at large for the grand support you have given me.

Louie Linares
President, A. S. B.

SENIOR OFFICERS

Sparky Reed.....President
James Jones.....Vice President
Patsy Guptill.....Secretary
Patty Lakin.....Treasurer

"All good things must come to an end" someone said, but the good things are just starting, so with a grin of satisfaction, and some regret I wish to congratulate you, fellow Seniors, on your graduation.

For the entire class, I would like to thank the faculty and our parents who have helped us attain our diploma. We have given you some trying times, we'll admit, but with your guidance we brought out our better qualities. Again we say, "Thanks a lot."

Being the class president has been an experience, and an honor I shall never forget. It has been fun and I thank you, fellow classmates. May you have the best of luck and achieve your goals in life.

Marvin Reed

PHYLLIS BEARDEN (Phil)
Chorus 1-4
Spanish Club Vice Pres. 2-3
Student Council 3
English Club 2

MARY SUE BLUME (Suzie)
Brawley High 1-2
Band 3
Chorus 4
Square Dance Club 4

DORIS BERGSTROM (Dizzy)
C. F. S. 1-2-3
G. A. A. 2-3-4
Glee Club 1-2-3
Spanish Club 2
Little Echo 3-4
Pep Squad 4
Sr. Play 4
Radio 4

BOYD BOWEN
Football 1-2-3-4
Track 2-3
Baseball 2-3
Letterman Club 1-2-3
Most Valuable Man '47
Second Team All Conference 47-8

MINNIE BURNETT
C. S. F. 3-4
G. A. A. 4
Chowchilla, Calif.
Paoli, Okla.

LOIS BOWEN (Shortie)
G. A. A. 1-2-3
Volleyball Captain 2
Pep Squad 3
Little Echo 3
Chorus 3

JOE BRADLEY
C. S. F. 1-2
English Club Pres. 2
Annual Staff 2-3-4
Annual Editor 4
Student Council 4
Service Club 4

AGNES CASH
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
Glee Club 2
Basketball Capt. 4
Commercial Club 2

WOODROW BROWN (Woody)
C. S. F. 2
Boy's State 3
Class Pres. 3
Jr. Play 3
Sr. Play 4

LEONORE CORDOVA (Lena)
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
Spanish Club 3-4
English Club 2

CHARLES CAMPBELL (Chuck)
Track 1-2-3-4
Spanish Club 1-2
Lettermen's Club 2-3-4
Little Echo 3-4
Basketball 3
Baseball 3-4
Football 4

PAULA CREEKMORE (Texas)
Lufkin High, Lufkin, Texas 3-4
Snyder High, Snyder, Texas 1-2
Annual Staff 4
Senior Play 4
Radio 4

EARLY CROSS
Track 1-2-3-4
Band 1-2-3
Football 1-2-3
Baseball 1-2-3-4
Letterman 1-2-3-4
Basketball 1-2-3
Little Echo 2-3
Glee Club 3
Spanish Club 1-2
Letterman Club

BEVERLY DYSART (Tootsie)
Spanish Club 2
Chorus 4
Radio 4

VIRGINIA DARLAND (Gina)
Chorus 4
English Club 2
Little Echo 4

GEORGIA DUNAGAN (Pudge)
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
Student Council 1-3
Cheer Leader 2-3
Jr. Play 3
Thalia 3
C. S. F. 3
Spanish Club 2
Annual Staff 4
English Club 2

RAYMOND DEKENS (Deke)
Manager of Basketball Team 1
Basketball 2-3
Class Treasurer 2
Football 2
Swimming 4
Letterman Club 3-4

DORIS EUBANKS (Dodie)
G. A. A. 1
Spanish Club 2-3
Chorus 1
Student Council 4

LOUISE FAVRET
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
Annual Staff 4
Little Echo 4
Chorus 1
English Club 2
Sr. Play 4
Square Dance Club

JOHN GUESS
Agriculture 1-2-3
F. F. A. 1-2-3
Junior Class Treasurer 2
Little Echo 4
Junior Play 3
Square Dance Club 4
Swimming 1-3-4
Basketball 2-4
Boy's Jr. Rodeo Committee 2

JAMES WALTER GREEN (Jimmie)
Buckeye Union Hi 1
Jr. Play 3
Little Echo Staff 4
English Club 2

PATRICIA ANN GUPTILL (Patsy)
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
Jr. Play
Spanish Club 2
Class Secretary 2-4
C. S. F. 1-2-3
Chorus 1-2-3
Square Dance Club 4
G. A. A. Treas. 1
English Club Vice Pres. 2

NADINE GRUWELL
Spanish Club 1-2
Glee Club 1-3-4
G. A. A. 1-2-3
Little Echo 4

KENNETH THOMAS HALE (Hale)
Lettermen's Club 2-3-4
Student Council 4
Football 2-3
Basketball 3
Track 2-3

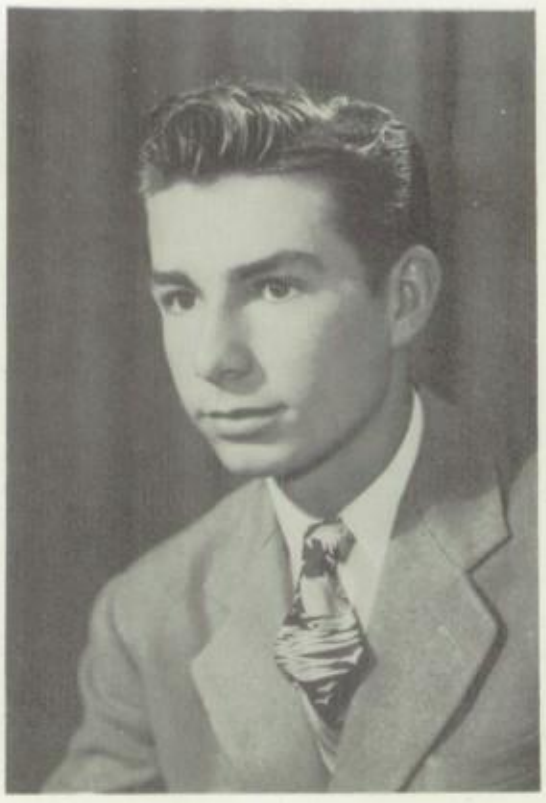
RICHARD HEASLEY (Dick)
Glendale High
Football 1-2-4
Track 1-2-3-4
Lettermen's Club 2-3-4
Little Echo 4
Annual Staff 4
Jr. Play
Student Council 4
Spanish Club 2-3-4
C. C. C. 2-3-4
Tennis 3-4
Wrestling 4
Sr. Play

RAYMOND HICKEY
Lettermans Club
Square Dance Club
Football 2-3
Band 1-2-3-4
Track 1-2-3-4
Baseball 4
English Club 2

JAMES HAMILTON (Ham)
Lettermen's Club 3-4
Basketball 2-3
Jr. Play 3
English Club 2

ETTA MAE HOEL (Etta)
Spanish Club 1
Pep Squad 3
Little Echo 4

MARGARET HICKEY
Band 1-2-3-4
Square Dance Club
G. A. A. 1-2-3
English Club 2

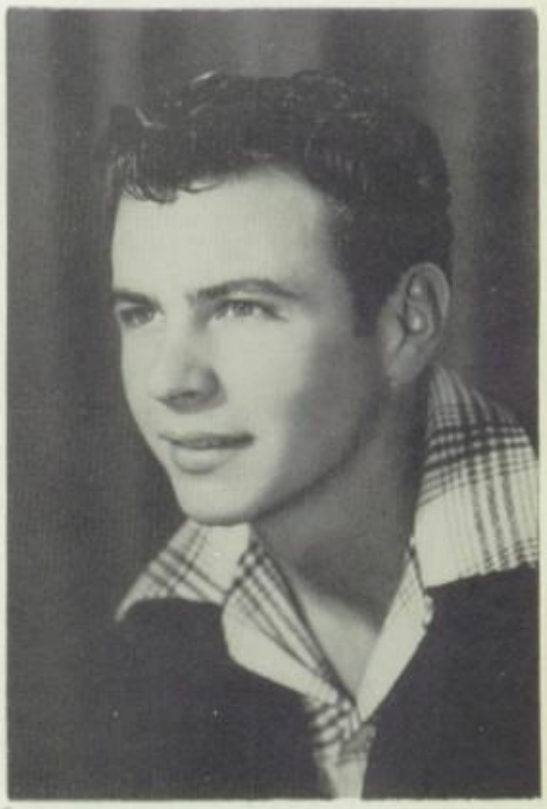


JAMES IRVIN JONES (Bean)
Spanish Club 1-2
English Club 2
Little Echo 3-4
Echo 4
Senior Class Vice Pres. 4
Student Council Vice Pres. 4
Square Dance Club Vice Pres. 4
Expelled 4

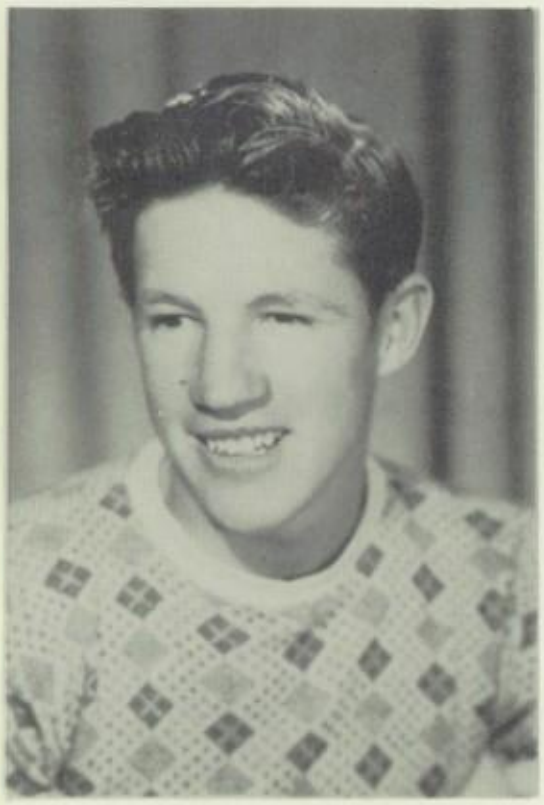
MAEBELL JONES (Mazie)
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
Basketball Mgr. 2
Basketball Capt. 4
English Club 2
Pep Squad 4

PATRICIA LOU LAKIN (Pat)
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
Spanish Club 1-2
Class Treasurer 3-4
Rodeo Queen 1
Jr. Play 3
Chorus 1-2-3
Student Council 4
Little Echo 4
Square Dance Club 4

JANE KELL
President of G. A. A. 3-4
Thalia Club 2
Spanish Club 2
Student Council 2-3-4



LOUIE LINARES
Basketball 1-2
Student Council 2-3
Jr. Play 3
F. F. A. 1-2-3-4
F. F. A. S. Region Vice Pres. 4
Lettermen's Club 1-2-3-4
Annual Staff 4
Student Body Pres. 4



ROBERT L. COWAN (Slowpoke)
Hatch Union High, Hatch, New Mexico
Spanish Club 3
Lettermen's Club 3-4
Track 3-4
Swimming 3-4
C. C. C. 3
Sr. Play Mgr.

BEVERLY JUNE LINDLEY
Mesa, Arizona
Phoenix, Arizona
G. A. A. 4
Sr. Play 4
Square Dance Club 4

DARNETTA LOVE (Lover)
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
English Club 2
Baseball Capt. 3
Camera Club 3
Glee Club 1-2
Pep Squad 4

RALPH W. McWILLIAMS (Mack)
Lettermen's Club 1-2-3
Basketball 2-3-4
Bus Driver 4
English Club 2

MARJA F. McCORD (Marj)
Glee Club 1-2-3-4
Spanish Club 1
English Club 2
G. A. A. 2-3-4

DAVID MARQUEZ (Humphry)
Football 2-3
Basketball 2-3
Baseball 2-3
Track 2-3
Lettermen's Club 2-3
F. F. A. 4

VERALINE McDANIEL (Mac)
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
Band 3
Chorus 1-2-4
English Club Sec. 2

MARLENE MAXWELL
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
Band 1-2
English Club 2
Commercial Club 2
Sr. Play
Service Club 4

ALEX MENDOZA (Elote)
Football 2-3-4
Baseball 3-4
Letterman Club 2-3-4
All Conference Captain
Most Valuable Player 4

BOBBY OZBIRN (Lito)
Football 2-3-4
Basketball 2-3-4
Track 2-4
Lettermen's Club 2-3-4
Sr. Play 4
Baseball 3
F. F. A. 4

BARBARA OSBORNE (Babs)
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
Spanish Club 2
Jr. Play 3
Square Dance Club 4

NANCY ELLEN PADGETT (Durango)
G. H. S. 2
G. A. A. 1-3-4
Jr. Play 3
Chorus 1-4
Homecoming Queen 4
Little Echo 4

ALLEN OZBIRN
Football 3-4
Basketball 3-4
Track 3-4
Lettermen's Club 3-4
Little Echo 4
Baseball 3-4

GENEVA PHILLIPS
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
Chorus 1-2-3-4
English Club 2

JACK ALLEN PETERSON (Jack)
Needles High School 1-2
Football 3
Swimming 3-4
Baseball 4
Lettermen's Club 3-4
Little Echo 3
Square Dance Club 4
Sr. Play

ROBERT LEE RICHARDS (Bob)
C. C. C. 2-3
English Club 2
Jr. Play (Electrician)
Sr. Play (Electrician)
Lettermen's Club 4
Football 4

Marvin Reed

MARTIN RODRIQUEZ
Lettermen's Club 2-3-4
Basketball 2-3-4
English Club 2

JACKIE RICE (Lujack)
Basketball 4
Baseball 4
Lettermen's Club 4

Loise Siegfreid

THOMAS LEE SIMS (Tom)
Track 2-3-4.
Lettermen's Club 2-3-4
Bus Driver 4
English Club 2

FRANCES STUBBLEFIELD (Frankie Lou)
Kingman Arizona
Pep Club 1-2
Band 1-2
Chorus 1
Latin Club 1-2
Bulldog Staff 1-2
Blythe
G. A. A. 3-4
C. S. F. 3

HUGH SOUTHERLAND
English Club 2
Football 2-4
Lettermen's Club 4
Square Dance Club 4

ELINORE WATKINS (Bunchie)
Thalia Club 3
Student Council 4
Little Echo Staff 4

JOYCE STERLING
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
C. S. F. 1-2-4
Student Council 3-4
Spanish Club 2
Thalia 3
Annual Staff 4
Square Dance Club 4
Jr. Play 3
Girl's State

JANETTE WHITE (Nettie Babe)
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
English Club 2
Little Echo 3
Basketball Captain 3
Glee Club 1-2-3

LAWRENCE WILLIAMS (Dizzy)
F. F. A. 1-2-3-4
Football 2-3-4
Basketball 2-3-4
Baseball 2-3-4
Track 2-3-4
Lettermans Club 2-3-4

BILLIE YOUNG
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
Little Echo 4

KENNETH HUBERT ZANDER JR. (Shorty)
Basketball 1
Swimming 1-4
Senior Play 4
Football 1-2-3-4
Track 1-2-3-4
Wrestling 3
Letterman's Club 2-3-4

EDWIN L. WEST
F. F. A. 1-2-3-4
R. O. T. C. 2-3

JOHN G. GARNER PRICE, JR. (Sonny)
Auto Shop 2-3-4
R. O. T. C. 2-3

JOY LEE BARRETT (Kiljoy)
G. A. A. 1-2-3-4
Chorus 1-2-3
C. S. F. 1-2-3

GEORGE DEATHERAGE
Letterman 3-4
Basketball 3
Dayton, Nevada 3

CARMEN RODRIQUEZ (Tulsa)
G. A. A. 1-2-3
Spanish Club 2-4
Student Council 3
English Club 2
Band 1

Prophecy

It was a warm Spring day on April 29, 1960, as I, the "Spirit of the Class of '50," stood on the site of what used to be T-Bone Canyon, in front of the world famous gambling casino and night club, the "Stagger Inn" owned by the "T-Bone Canyon Boys", "Sparky" Reed, and "Bean" Jones. In the distance I could see the metropolis of Blythe swarming with the graduates of 50 waiting with anticipation for the reunion dinner which would be held at the "Stagger Inn."

About an hour later the graduates began to arrive. With a roar of pipes and a cloud of smoke up slid Jack Peterson, the world famous race driver who had made it from Los Angeles to T-Bone Canyon in eight hours. With him came his pit crew, John Price and Simon "Tarzan Red" Shellnut.

Then came Bob Cowan and Tom Sims, the local track stars who made good at the Olympic games held in Parker.

Jane Kell, the famous woman doctor, arrived in her flying hospital with her assistant and co-pilot, Barbara Osbourne. According to her Mr. Joe Garcia, who married Lenore Cordova, is passing out cigars, five at a time. (All boys).

George Deatherage, who runs the crap game in the "Stagger Inn," just reported for duty. It is rumored that George May soon marry the star of the burleque show, Sue Blume.

Doris Bergstrom, who has the drive-in concessions on the first mesa, said that she and Margie McCord are doing a thriving business.

When a Greyhound bus drove up, I was surprised to see the driver, Ralph McWilliams, holding May Belle Jones on his lap. After ten years of courting Ralph hasn't gotten up the nerve to pop the question yet.

Frances Stubblefield, rapped in with a roar of pipes. She and the six kinds were hanging on to Doug's motorcycle.

Jackie Rice and his beautiful actress wife, the former Marlene Maxwell, who is now starring in "Tobacco Road" opposite Jim Green, the second John Barrymore, drove up in their shiny convertible and announced that Jack had just won the Snooker Championship of Fertilla in a hard fought contest with Robert Richards.

Lawrence "Dizzy" Williams came galloping up on his jackass, (Dizzy is the latest thing in messenger boys,) and announced that Early Cross, who now owns one of the biggest shoe-shine stands on the West Coast at the corner of Fourth and Main in Los Angeles, sent his regrets that he and his wife, the former Agnes Cash, would not be able to attend the reunion because his business was so thriving that he couldn't leave it.

Clippity Clop! Bring me a Mop! Here came Joe Bradley and Woody Brown driving their Mule Train from Cibola, bringing a load of '50 graduates. The first whip-cracker was Raymond Dekens, who had been practicing ever since he saw a "Whip Wilson" picture. Among the passengers were the world famous "Midland Globe Trotters," David Marques, Martin Rodriquez, Bob Ozbirn, Allen Ozbirn, and Kenneth Hale, who were just returning from a championship tournament in Cibola. Etta Hoel and Tootsie Dysart just barely caught the last mule on the Mule Train after leaving the grand opening of their new Rexall Drug Company, located on the corner of Main and Hobsonway in Cibola.

Paula Creekmore and James Hamilton were just married and according to them their oil wells in Texas are out-producing those of Standard Oil Company now owned and operated by Raymond and Margaret Hickey and all their little well-diggers.

Alex Mendoza, who had been playing left-tackle for the Ripley eleven, got a leave of absence to attend the gala banquet but since he was in training he would be unable to eat.

Nancy Padgett, who has been playing the lead opposite Ken Zander, her husband, in the new series of "Durango Kid" pictures, arrived by horseback just in time for the first speech of the evening, given by Dick Heasley, the local representative for the Alcholics Anonymos.

As more guests arrived, among them the most conspicious were Ed West and his wife, Billie Young, who were driving their large herd of sheep to pasture them on Jerry Riley's new farm near Black Rock.

As it was then getting late and the guests were seating themselves in the ballroom, the evening's entertainment started with the lush thrush, Phyllis Bearden, singing "Charlie, My Boy," accompanied by the wizard of the piano, Charlies Appleton, who retired at the height of his fame on the "Midland Globe Trotters" team.

Most of the people were astonished to see Pat Lakin and Beverly Lindley working as hat check girls, but it was soon explained that they were only gathering material for their book, soon to be published, "The Life of a Hat Check Girl."

There was a commotion near the door and who should appear but Hugh Southerland, thoroughly soused and yelling loudly that he had been slicked by the bartender, Louie Linares, who had just announced his engagement to Nadine Gruewell. Hugh we are sorry to say was ejected from the premises by the bouncer, John "Muscles" Guess.

To quiet the crowd after this escapade, Lois Bowen, Darnetta Love, Charles Campbell, and Janette White, billed as the "Biggest Little Band in the Land," gave their rendition of that all-time favorite, "The Huckle Buck." Instead of having a quieting effect the crowd arose as one person and soon the whole joint was jumping. It took the combined efforts of the cigarette girls; Joy Barrett, Virginia Darland, Doris Eubanks, and Geneva Phillips to quiet the crowd.

Then came a wild cheer as Joyce Sterling, Georgia Dunagan, Louise Favret, Pat Guptill, Veralene McDaniel, and Minnie Burnett, the chorus line from the Burbank Theatre in Los Angeles, brought especially for this occasion by the owners of the "Stagger Inn," went into their act.

And last but not least to round out the evening's entertainment, Carmen Rodriquez and Elenore Watkins sang some of the hit songs from the operetta, "Calamity Jane and Sam Bass."

Finally, in the small hours of the morning the party, started breaking up, and as I was leaving I could hear everyone saying, "I'll see you at the next renuion in 1970."

(Signed)
The Spirit of the Class of '50

Social Calendar

September 12	School Daze
October 7	F. F. A. gains money by having a dance
October 8	Seniors get lost in the hay on their hayride
November 3	Bonfire and pep rally for homecoming
November 4	Homecoming game
November 5	Alumni greet old friends at breakfast and at dance in the evening
November 9, 10	Study, Study, students, and maybe you'll pass the quarter exams
November 19	Run, Fellas, here comes the Sadie Hawkins dance
November 24, 25	Turkey Day Holiday
December 22	Juniors give annual Christmas semi-formal
December 22, Jan. 3	Santa comes and brings us a vacation
January 10, 11	Juniors become stars in "Little Miss Somebody."
January 17, 18	Study time again
February 1	Men's Glee Club of Redlands U. Sings to us
February 13	Holiday in honor of Lincoln's birthday
February 14	Get your Sweetheart for the Valentine's Dance
February 22	Holiday for Washington's Birthday
February 25	Sophomores give barn dance
March 2	Senior Going Away Dance
March 3, 4, 5	Seniors got to Big Bear to play in the Snow
March 17	Sure, and 'tis the Time for the Seniors to give the Paddy's Day Dance
March 22, 23	Study, Study, for the third quarter exams
April 1	C. S. F. Gives spring formal
April 19, 20	Seniors give the last attempt at becoming dramatic
April 29	Juniors have banquet and prom for Seniors
May 22, 23	Our final exams
May 28	Baccalaureate
May 29	School's finally out, thank goodness!
May 29	Graduation

Will

We the Senior Class of '50 being of sound mind, and body hereby declare and publish our will, to establish that we are capable of leaving a few of our talents, assets, and liabilities to our successors:

I, Charles Appleton, will my physique to Eldred George.
I, Phyllis Bearden, will my singing voice to Crysta Liles.
I, Joy Barrett, will my black hair to Nat Guptill.
I, Doris Bergstrom, will my job as a car hop to Nancy Ehlers.
I, Mary Blume, will my ability to knit to David Farrage.
I, Woody Brown, will my green Olds to Jerry McDaniels.
I, Joe Bradley, will my ability to argue with the teachers to Jack Crane.
I, Minnie Burnett, will my ability to get along with Mr. Gross to Jim Esler.
I, Charles Campbell, will my lady-killing ways to Ray Adams.
I, Agnes Cash, will all my boy friends to Joyce Bell.
I, Lenore Cordova, will my quiet ways to Joyce Thomason.
I, Robert Cowan, will my running ability to Chief Chrowder.
I, Paula Creekmore, will Texas to Governor Warren.
I, Early Cross, will my shoe-shine job to Jukebox.
I, Virginia Darland, will my nickname, "Gina Pearl," to anybody that will take it.
I, George Deatherage, will my ability to rob the cradle to Ray Dinwiddie.
I, Raymond Dekens, will my Western Union job to Don Cramer. Got a bicycle?
I, Beverly Dysart, will my nickname, "Tootsie," to Joy Sue Murdock.
I, Doris Eubanks, will my big brown eyes to Tom Scruggs.
I, Louise Favret, will my "Daisy Mae" costume to Gwen Scruggs.
I, Joe Garcia, will my duck-tail to Farrell Lofton.
I, Jimmie Green, will my $5.85 a week job to Louie Pomerantz.
I, Nadine Gruwell, will my job on the Little Echo to Joyce Bebout.
I, John Guess, will my curly hair to Louie Siegfried.
I, James Jones, will my wild ways and reputation as a thug to R. B. Bradley.
I, Pat Guptill, will my friendly smile to Bonnie Patterson.
I, Kenneth Hale, will my athletic ability to Dale Van Dalsem.
I, James Hamilton, will my height to Tommy Wells.
I, Richard Heasley, will my ability to stay in school longer and learn less to Dick Mansperger.
I, Raymond Hickey, will my letterman's sweater to Wyman Phillips.
I, Margaret Hickey, will my ability to catch 'em early to Sarah Grimes.
I, Etta Hoel, will my job at the Blythe Drug to Sue Dunagan.
I, Mabel Jones, will my place in Family Relations class to Connie Smith.
I, Jane Kell, will my blue jeans to Lucille Stone.
I, Louie Linares, will my beer drinking ability to Don Sieker, alias "Jake Swalienbacher."
I, Pat Lakin, will my ability to slay a certain Junior boy to Betty Southerland.
I, Darnetta Love, will my basketball playing ability to the Freshmen.
I, Beverly Lindley, will my boy friend "Wino" to Ruby Kell.
I, Bob Ozbirn, will my ability to go with a college girl to Eddie Reed.
I, Allen Ozbirn, will Midland to Blythe.
I, Barbara Osbourne, will my stool at the El Foldo to Peggy Jones.
I, Nancy Padgett, will my "Durango" costume to Pat Muse.
I, Geneva Phillips, will my blue Chevy to Elenore Raines.
I, Jack Petterson, will my ability to be expelled from school twice in two weeks to Nick Pedone.
I, John Price, will my ability to turn over a "Model A" in front of the gate to Bucky Schriner.
I, Marvin Reed, will my wild ways and nickname "Toad" to Sonny Arrasmith.
I, Jackie Rice, will my No.. 17 cue stick to Larry Olinger.
I, Robert Richards, will my ability to get along with Mr. Jones to Lee Risner.
I, Gerry Riley, will my bus driving job to anybody with iron nerves.

I, David Marquez, will my ability to not get a hair cut to Claude Cox.
I, Marlene Maxwell, will my long blonde hair to Marilyn Beard.
I, Alex Mendoza, will my "Most Valuable Man" trophy to Edgar Price.
I, Margie McCord, will my congenial personality to lots of people who need it.
I, Veralene McDaniels, will my ability to ditch and get way with it to Frances Dysart.
I, Ralph McWilliams will my "chuckle" that slays all the girls to Fred Stovall.
I, Martin Rodriquez, will my mustache to Dick Leivas.
I, Carmen Rodriquez, will my ability to get along with everybody to Geri Blake.
I, Simon Shellnut, will my nickname as "Tarzan Red" to Kenneth Wofford.
I, Loise Siegfried, will my job in the cafeteria to Darlene Shirley.
I, Tom Sims, will my running ability to Karl Stewart.
I, Hugh Southerland, will all my Junior High girls to Bobby Stewart.
I, Frances Stubblefield, will my charming personality to June Flud.
I, Elenore Watkins, will my quiet ways to Teddy Todd.
I, Eddie West, will my side burns to Ivan White.
I, Janette White, will my boy friend Jimmie to Berneice Riley.
I, Laurence Williams, will my dizzy ways to Wilbern.
I, Billie Young, will my good times in school to Betty Lou Coats.
I, Kenneth Zander, will my shy ways with the girls to Keith Collier.
We, Joyce Sterling and Georgia Dunagan will our ability to go steady for three years to Barbara and Jackie.

Signed
The Class of '50

Witnesses
Donald Duck
Mickey Mouse
Gaylord Price

SENIOR PLAY CAST

Gloria Smith	Joy Barrett
Mrs. Smith	Loise Siegfried
Beryle Sheppard	Paula Creekmore
Edythe Rhodes	Phyllis Bearden
Deborah Mercer	Doris Bergstrom
Lela Dunn	Marlene Maxwell
Dr. Leon Atwell	Kenneth Zander
Gordon Dunn	Charles Appleton
Ronald Steele	Dick Heasley
Elliot Maxium	Jack Peterson
Finley Caruthers	Woodrow Brown
Howard Ross	Bob Ozbirn

SPONSORS

Mrs. Villard
Mr. Levy

STUDENT DIRECTORS

Beverly Lindley
Bob Cowen

SENIOR TRIP

The night of March 3, the Junior High Auditorium, was filled with anxious seniors awaiting the time of departure for the long awaited trip to Big Bear. Everyone had a very enjoyable evening. Any resemblance between this dance and a "sock dance" could have been due to the fact that it is rather difficult to dance with heavy field boots on. Then at last the time came to load the buses and start on our trip.

Well, over already! What a week end! After the dance Thursday night 53 seniors and 6 sponsors loaded two buses with, suitcases and what have 'ya, and started on our way about 12:30 for a lost week-end, at Big Bear. Five hours later we arrived at San Bernadino, where we ate breakfast.

Then, the excitement started, as we were almost there. We arrived at Big Bear about 9:30 Friday morning and without any trouble reached our destination, Inspiration Lodge, located three miles west of town on Big Bear Lake.

The rooms were selected and then lunch was served. Later that afternoon Mr. Vertress drove us to Big Bear on bus No. 2 where everyone enjoyed shopping for souvenirs.

That night the lodge furnished our entertainment of popular music for dancing, pool, poker, dice or just plain reading in front of the huge fireplace. There wasn't much sleep that night, although most of us were tired because of loss of sleep.

Breakfast was served at eight the next morning. Dressed in warm clothes, we drove to town where we rented toboggans, sleds and skis. After loading them we left for Miil Creek, about two miles from Big Bear. Everyone enjoyed playing in the snow, although many bruises, and scratches from falls and snow ball fights were noticed.

We returned to the lodge in time for lunch at 1:00. After lunch the bus took those who wanted to return to Mill Creek back for more . . . shall we say . . . "exercise".

Saturday night, we attended the show, bowling alley, and the big dance at the Wigwam. We returned to the lodge at 12:30 where we danced and furnished entertainment for ourselves. Those that stayed awake would have stayed up all night if Ed and Sport hadn't . . . suggested . . . that we go to sleep.

Sunday morning brought the end of the excitement as we loaded the busses to return home. We reached Blythe at 6:00, tired and very glad to be home, where we could rest up. As we came through Blythe we really let the townspeople know we were back, with our loud chorus' of "Hail to the Sons" and other songs.

We seniors take this opportunity to thank Sport, Ed, Miss Carson, Mrs. Darland, Mr. Mitchner, Mr. Jones and Mr. Miller for making our trip possible and very enjoyable.

CASUALTY LIST

Tobogganers	Sledders	Bruises, etc.
Beverly Lindley	Joy Barrett	Senior Class
Lois Bowen	Louise Favret	and Sponsors

"Ski Experts"
Miss Carson, Patsy Guptill, Jack Peterson

Phyllis Bearden

Doris Eubanks

Georgia Dunagan

Marlene Maxwell

Joe Bradley

James Jones

Pat Lakin

Beverly Lindley

Joy Barrett

Lenore Cordova

Hubert Zander

Pat Guptill

Joyce Sterling

Nadine Gruewell

Raymond Dekens

Marvin Reed

Barbara Osbourne

Etta Hoel

Virginia Darland

Margie McCord

Allen Ozbirn

George Deatherage and Frances Bigler

Elinore Watkins

John Guess

Carmen Rodriquez

Veralene McDaniel

Louise Favret

Frances Stubblefield

Jane Kell

Doris and Norma Bergstrom

James Hamilton

Billie and Betty Young

Jack Peterson

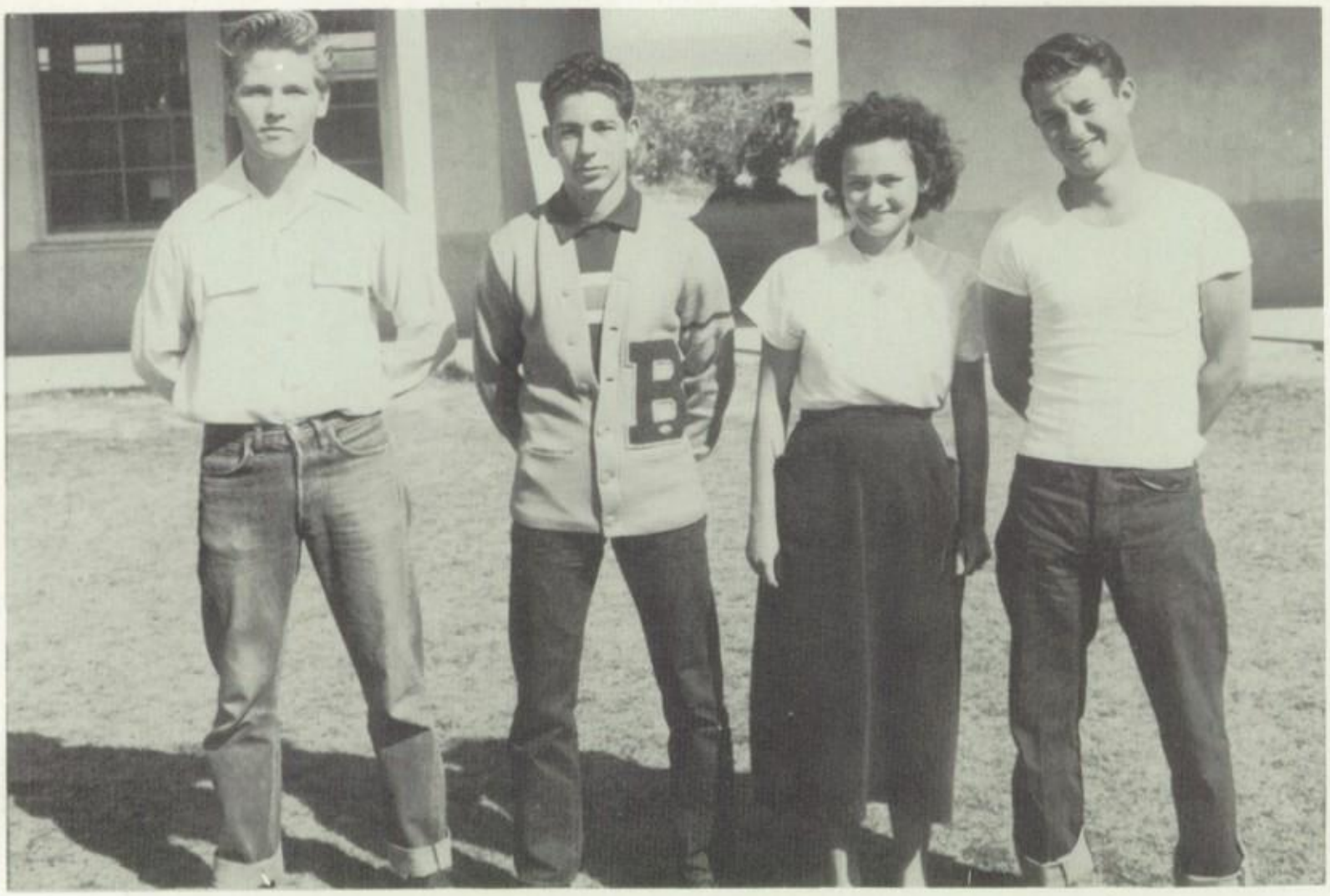
JUNIORS

M. Whitlock, S. Doyle, L. Stone, J. McJunkin, B. Cousins, N. Martell, D. Aquilascho, B. Carter, B. Muma, M. Lange, R. Farmer, A. Frazier, T. Brooks (second) R. Ford, S. Dunagan, B. Patterson, N. Corley, M. Daniel, D. Faulkner, R. Navarro, I. Jearey, N. Navarro, M. Cheadle, W. Lewis, (third) M. Mays, N. Blocker, W. Shipley, J. Murdock, G. Blake, J. Thomason, E. Leon, R. Rodriquez, S. Grimes, H. Baysinger, C. Ankele, J. Leon.

Front
R. Coats, D. Cramer, D. Mansperger, N. Pedone, L. Harvey, C. Crowder, J. Stockton, S. Arrasmith, R. Dinwiddie, F. Murdock, D. Farrage, J. Esler, D. Chumbley, G. Dwiggins, R. Bradley, E. Peterson, K. Collier.

L. McCurdy, B. Gyger, B. Delzell, J. Pipkin, D. Ransom, W. Williams, K. Stewart, A. Mack, H. Bell, E. McDaniel, L. Flud, L. Risner, J. Hamell, H. Handgear, I. Yackenoff, D. Dalsem, J. Clutch, R. Murray, K. Collier, D. Angus.

P. Herrera, E. Roggenstein, R. Ortiz, A. Figueroa, M. Perez, W. Hufford, T. Scruggs, R. Agnew, L. King, B. Dicke, J. Robirds, W. Stroschein, F. Allen, D. Cox, C. Lazenby, J. Miles, R. Gilliam.



JUNIORS

Nick Pedone.....President
Jerry Robirds.....Vice President
Dick Mansperger.....Treasurer
Mary Whitlock.....Secretary

As president of the Junior class of 1949 and 1950, I can proudly say that this has been an unforgetable honor. I'm proud of the class as a whole, and I want to give my thanks to those who have helped make possible the many activities that are expected of a Junior class. And I feel that in the coming year that the cooperation will be even greater to do the tasks that are handed down to us as Seniors.

Nick Podone

The Junior class of 1949 and 1950 have had to overcome many difficulties in the last three years, but now with only one year ahead of us, we all know that all work has its rewards.

Many of our class members hold offices. We are especially proud of our athletes, who participate in football, basketball, and track. Our girls too have been outstanding in their various athletic work.

Also there were our social achievements, such as the Christmas dance, given on Dec. 22, the Valentine dance given on the afternoon of Feb. 14, and the Junior Senior Prom given honoring the seniors.

We are indeed proud of our dramatic venture, "Little Miss Somebody", given in the Junior high auditorium Jan. 10, 11.

Little Miss Somebody? Seems to me I've heard that someplace. Oh, yes, I remember. That was the name of the Junior Class Play, given January 10 and 11 at the Junior High School. I don't see how anyone could forget. It seemed that for two weeks, about every five minutes someone was tapping me on the shoulder and saying "would you [illegible] to buy a ticket to our play?"

The play came out a big success and everyone that helped to put it over did a wonderful job.

CAST

Dr. John Ashley.....Donald Angus
Harriet Ashley.....Dolly Manley
Clir Ashley.....Jackie McJunkin
Richie Ashley.....Nicky Pedone
Laurie.....Sally Doyle
Tony Mitchell.....Don Cramer
Owen Forber.....Ross Coats
Suzanne.....Barbara Cousins
Crazy Mike.....R. B. Bradley
Prompter.....Lee Risner
Stage Manager.....Lucille Stone
Stage Crew..Lazenby, Cox, Strochein, Allen, Whitlock
Tickets.....Patterson, Thomason, Blocker, Dunagan
Usheretts....Leon, Rodriquez, Ford, Ankele, Daniels, and Mays
Electricians.....Gyger, King

GERALDINE BLAKE QUEEN OF PALO VERDE VALLEY

Geraldine Blake a 17-year old junior of Palo Verde High School was chosen to represent Palo Verde Valley at the Riverside County Fair and Date Festival in Indio.

At Indio Geraldine took second place in the contest for queen of the fair.

Geraldine was sponsored by the Blythe Lions club. Other candidates and their sponsors were: Patsy Guptill, Soroptimist club, Joyce Thomason, Sires 5 and 10 cents store; Patty Lakin, Blythe Womans Improvement Club; Barbara Osburn, Mack Perry, Nash Dealer, and Pat Hayes, Fraternal Order of Eagles.

SOPHOMORES

Front

J. Cordova, R. Caldera, A. Arsco, A. Ford, J. Clark, O. Frazier, E. Montes, N. Gillin, C. Hayes, M. Butler, D. Young, J. Beard, M. Bowen, C. Smith, G. Scruggs.

V. Davis, B. Bell, B. Bogans, N. Guptill, U. Guess, J. Bebout, F. Dysert, M. Poe, J. Anderson, J. Rogers, M. McGuire, A. Lopez, E. Roggenstein, C. Gholson, S. Herrera, O. Wood, F. Karr.

H. Leivas, B. Avila, N. Perez, E. Carter, M. Beard, R. Farrage, E. Hamilton, M. Neighbors, Y. Sharp, S. Strickland, B. Southerland, F. Bigler, E. Raines, V. McIntosh, T. Chumbley, L. Curts.

Front

B. Corley, G. Sutton, N. Baldwin, E. George, B. Barrett, E. Davis, E. Reid, I. Ackors, B. Bebout, M. Harper, H. Hall, R. Waters, R. Pitts, L. Pomerantz.

D. Leivas, C. Porter, C. Lunsford, J. White, R. Gilliam, B. Henderson, P. Rice, B. Stewart, C. Stowers, H. Black, R. Williams, E. Mack, C. Jones, R. Adams, F. Stovall.

W. Stroschein, D. Taylor, R. Johnson, J. Grimes, H. Smoot, L. Lazenby. B. Waddley, E. Seymour, C. Smith, R. McCallum, B. Birdson, G. Scarbrough, B. Esler, J. Wayne, C. Husby.

SOPHOMORES

Joe Grimes.....President
Freida Karr.....Vice President
Maxine McGuire.....Treasurer
Gay Guptil.....Secretary

The Sophomores are no longer the schools youngsters. Their place has been taken by the Freshman. Soon they will be lofty Juniors.

This year has been a very enjoyable one for us. We were more at home in the school and could take our places as sensible student-citizens.

Our "Royal Majesties" for the various occasions were as follows:

Homecoming Maxine McGuire and Jack Hale

Desert Bowl Natalie Guptil

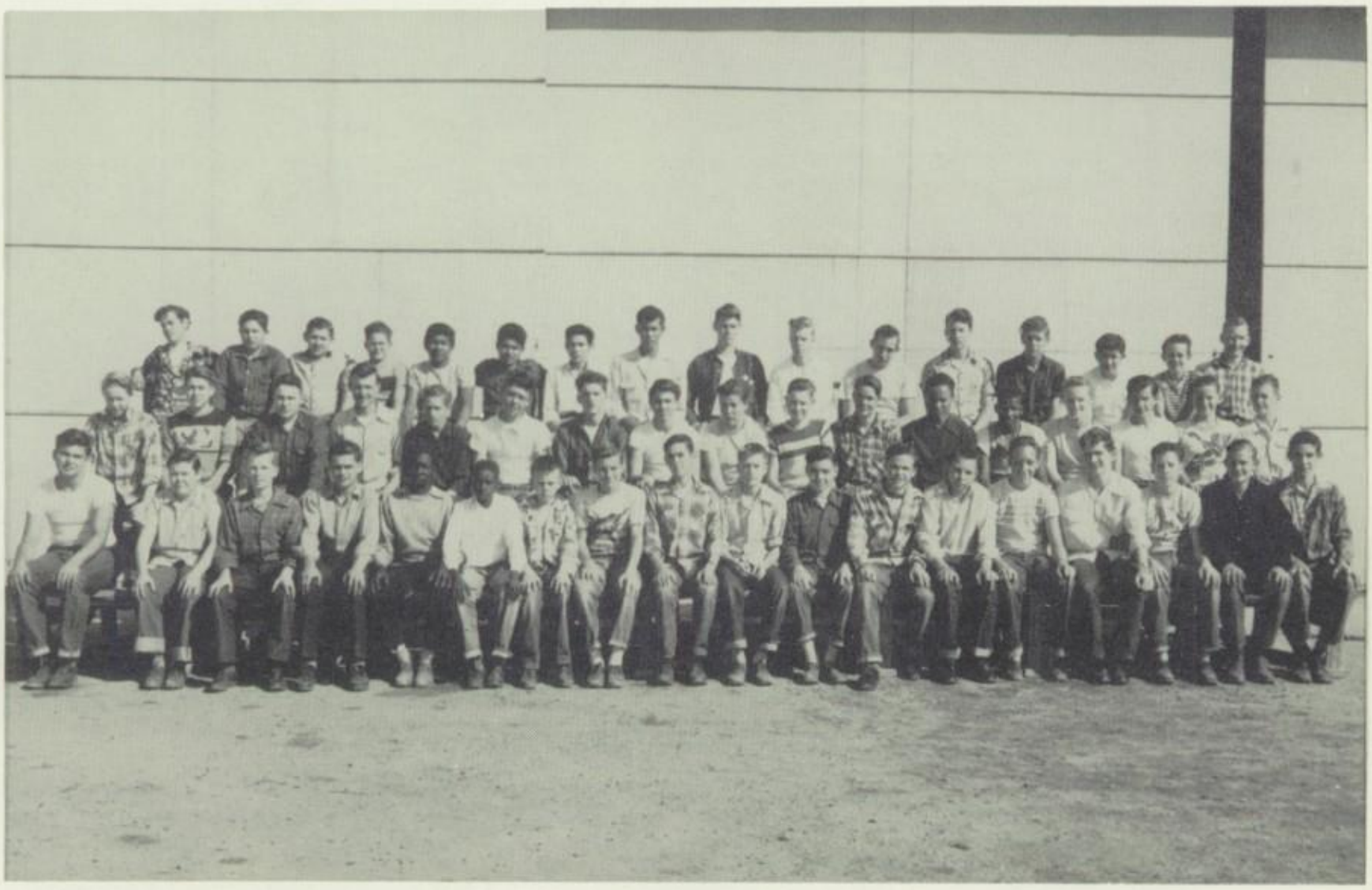
We were also proud that the schools three song-leaders were chosen from our class. They are Elaine Carter, Ruth Farrage, and Mary Ellen Neighbors.

FRESHMEN

Front
J. Graser, J. Reed, N. Grande, R. Kell, R. Hartman, S. Petty, R. Rodriquez, J. Sepeda, E. Avila, N. Castro, V. Barnes, B. Ogden, B. Murray, P. Church, L. Gentry, C. Giddings, M. Cox, H. Hughes, A. Munoz.

G. Reitz, L. Fitzpatrick, E. Mills, B. Mitchell, L. Hardy, P. Chumbley, D. Siegfried, G. Scruggs, M. Ward, A. Johnson, J. Carter, W. Helms, M. Knox, O. Daniel, A. Smoot, J. Dimon, T. Bearden, A. Cox, L. Osman, R. Cypert.

J. Elliott, J. Flud, S. Goddard, T. McDaniel, D. People, B. Thompson, D. Grandy, J. Blackwood, W. Peek, T. Patchin, E. Ackors, B. Perry, N. Ehlers, S. Harper, Y. Thomason, C. Cookston, M. Sims, N. Sims, M. Hissong, P. Buchanan.



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J. Sieken, L. Buckner, F. Lofton, J. Gross, D. Harvey, T. Wade, R. Brooks, S. Carter, D. McDaniel, N. Price, G. Sutton, N. Harris, L. Crane, R. Robertson, M. Eubanks, J. George, G. Moss.

M. Tatom, O. Murphy, T. Flud, M. Dyche, J. Cordova, H. Hernandez, R. Caldera, F. Cota, A. Anderson, D. Holt, F. Griffin, B. McDaniel, T. Cox, W. Phillips, H. Baldwin, J. Kane.

FRESHMAN CLASS

As we hear the patter of little feet we know that our freshman have taken their first steps toward their high school goal—graduation.

At first, not knowing what to do or where to go, care was taken of these children by the upper classmen.

The first sign of our freshmen progress was their weiner roast. This was held on the west mesa, at Chimney Rock.

Proving that they are diligent workers, the freshman produced one of the finest floats in the Homecoming Parade.

Now that our freshmen are starting on their second step toward their goal, we feel satisfied in saying they will be a credit to this high school.

FRESHMEN OFFICERS

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Jerry McDaniel.....Vice President
Patsy Chumbly.....Secretary
Yvonne Thomason.....Treasurer

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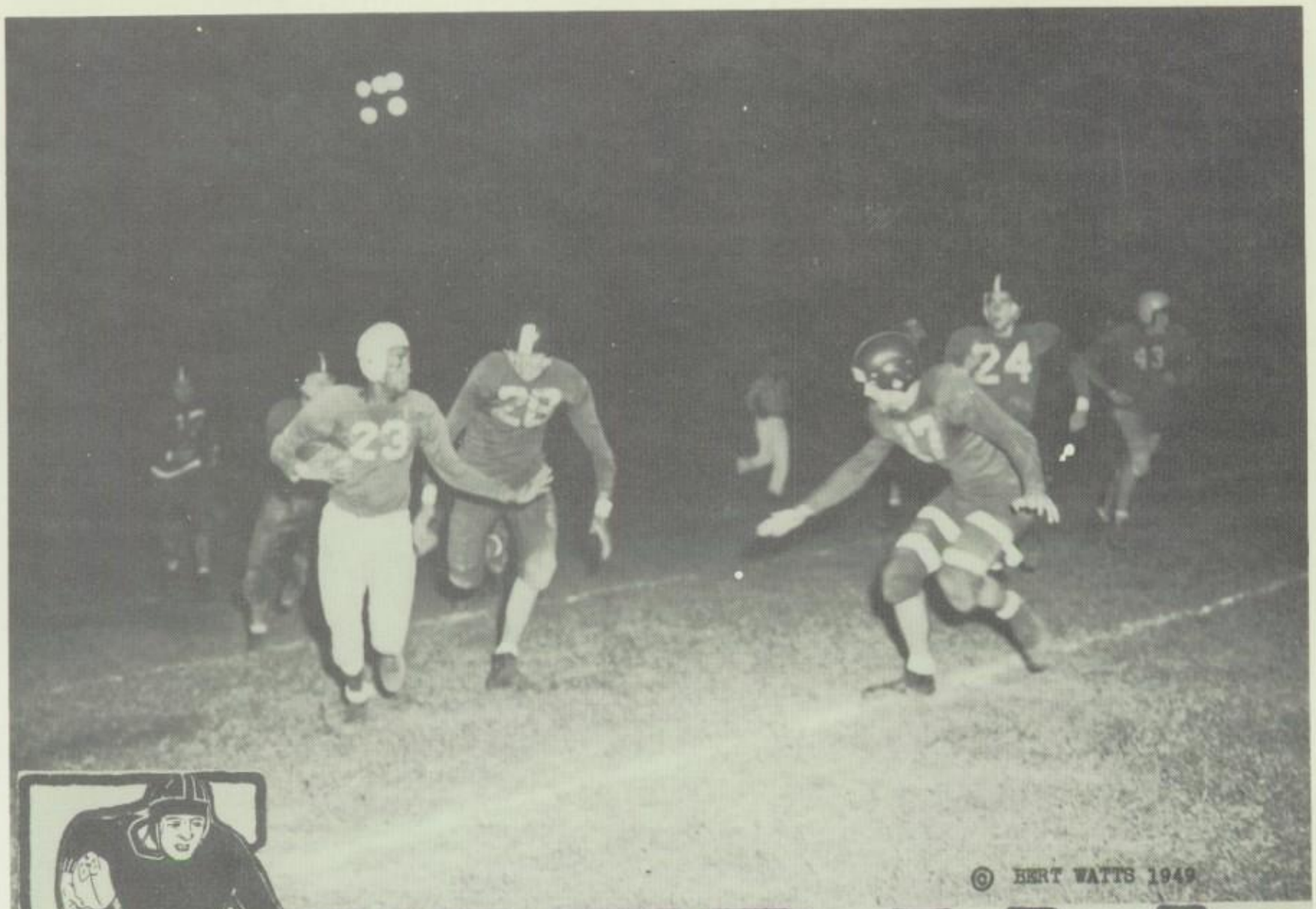
Miss Knox
Mr. Gorth
Mrs. Barker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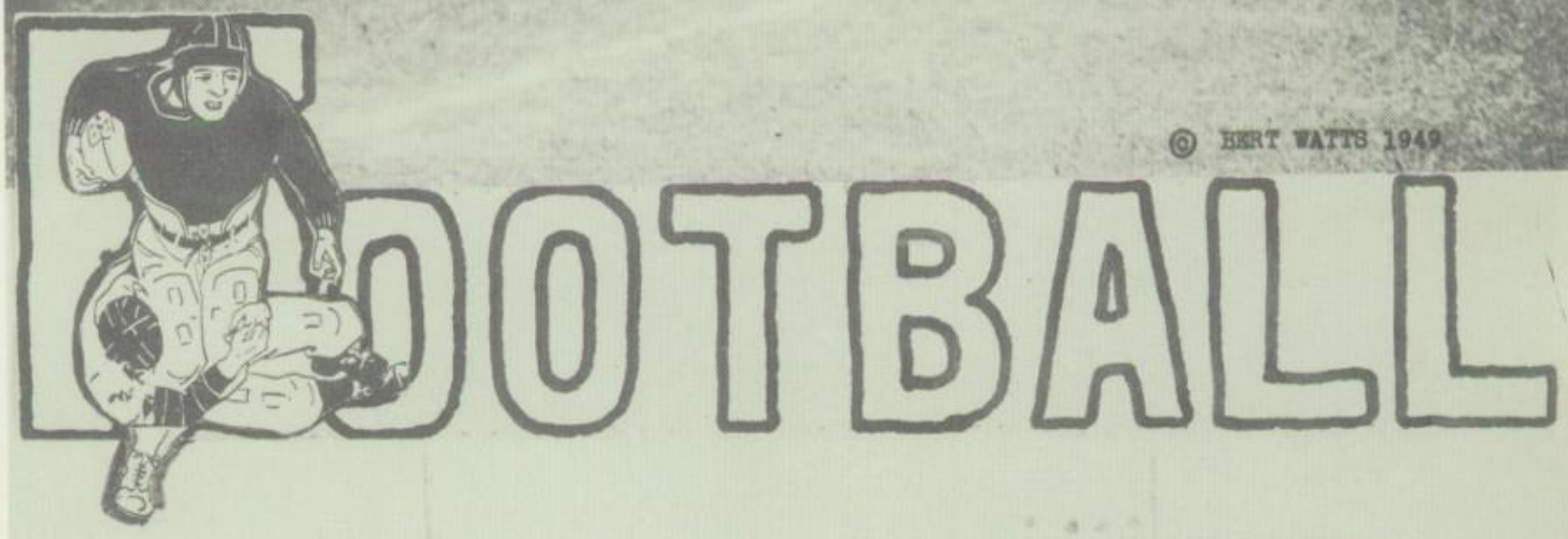
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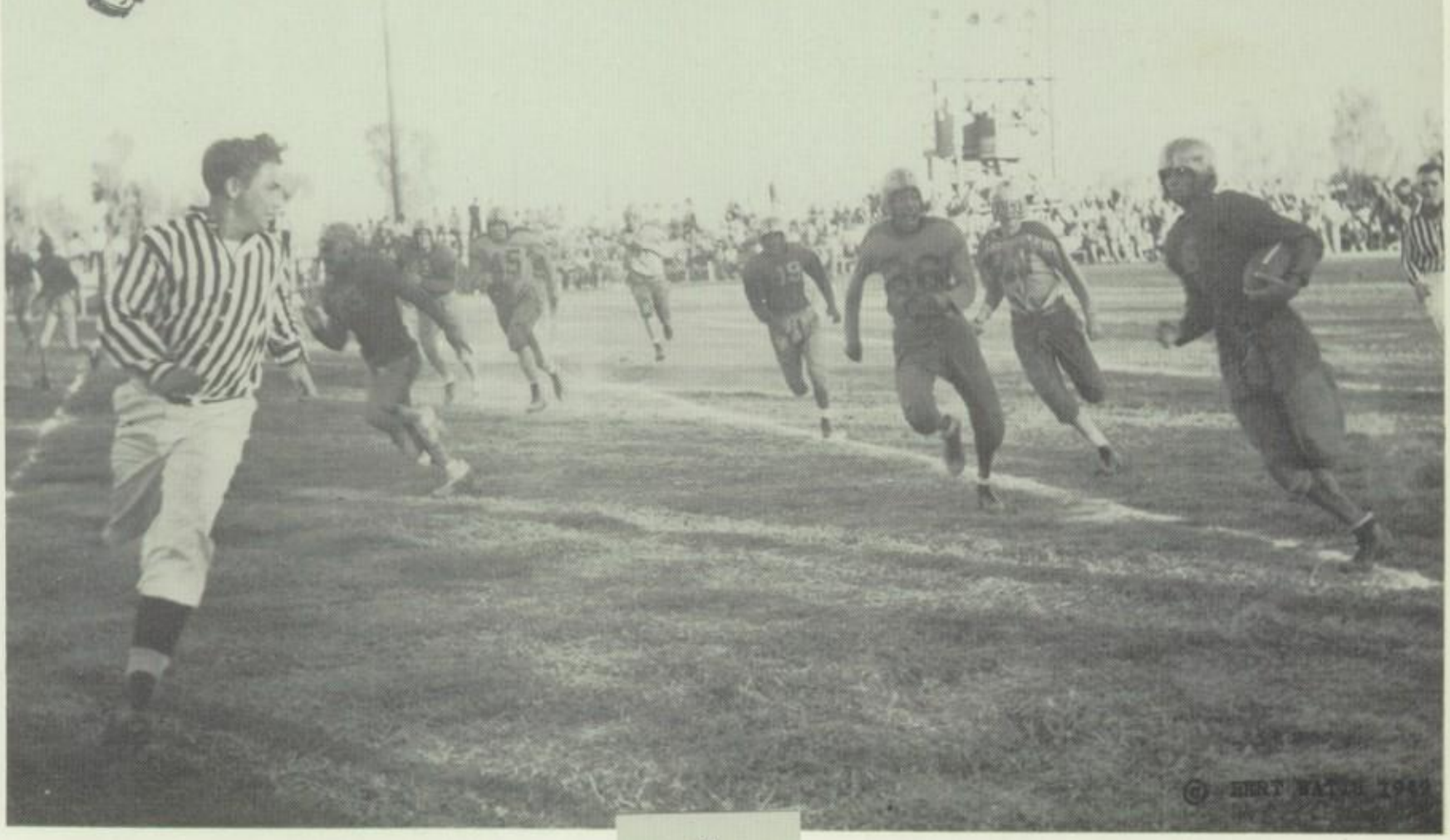
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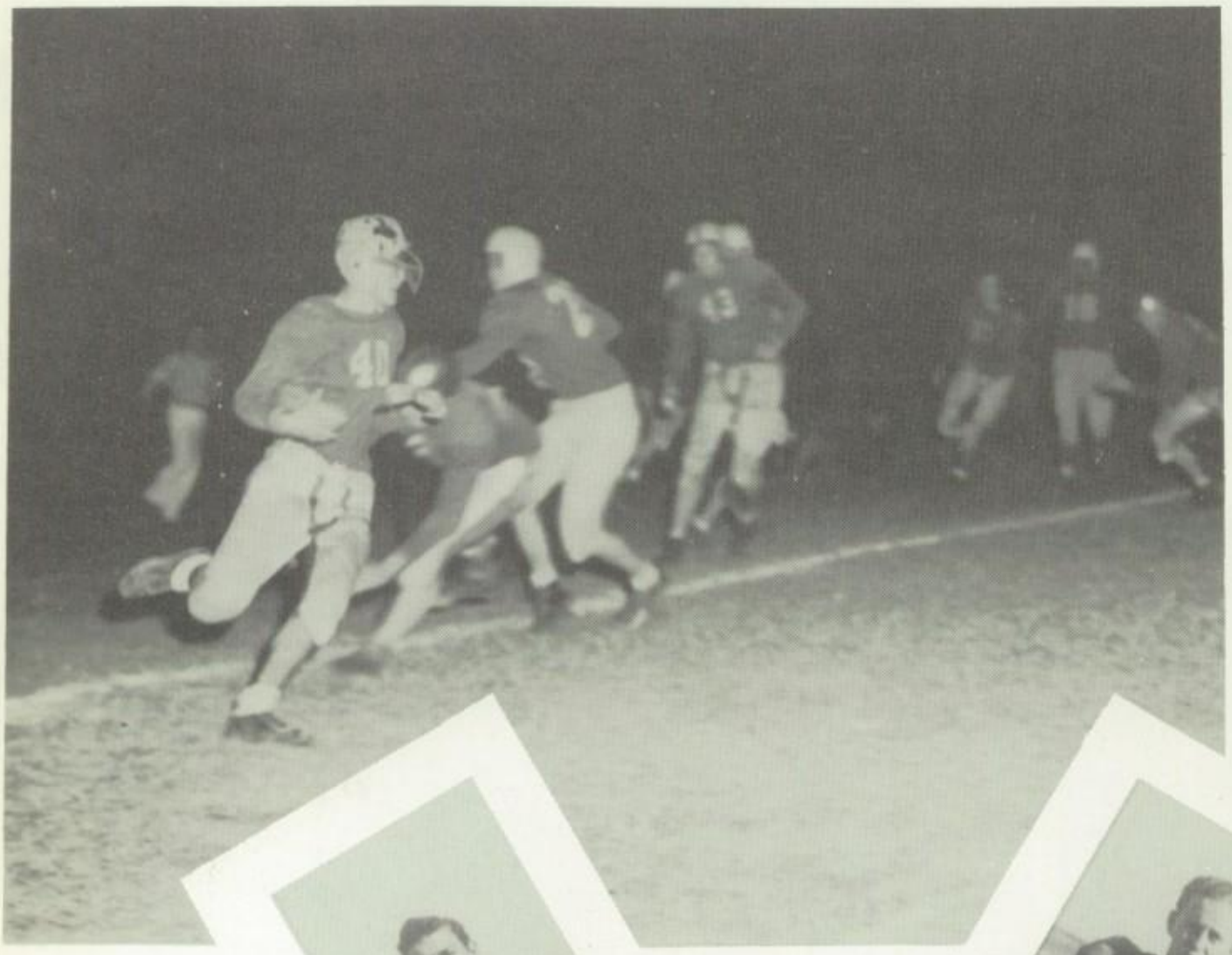


It has been said that the best tonic for school spirit is a string of good, satisfying victories on the field, court, or pool of Men's sports. Surely without a game or athletic meet of some kind every Friday or Saturday, life would be rather dull around the valley. Sports develop sportsmanship, a spirit of fair play, and build bodies. The ability to "take it on the chin" in life frequently develops on the field of play. Without athletics thousands of young men would face the world without the advantage of a college education they would otherwise obtain. High school athletics keep the youth occupied who otherwise, with lack of other recreation, might get into trouble.

Although in past years, the Green and Gold squads have made a better showing, we had a pretty fair season this year. Handicapped by tough schedules, remoteness from other schools, lack of material, changing of coaches, and stiff competition, the Yellowjackets still did O.K. this year.

A good coach is the first requirement of any successful team. He must be likeable, fair, intelligent, conscientious, a leader, and have iron-clad discipline.

This year's coach, Hilliard H. "Junior" Crum, was born in Kansas City, Kan., in '23. He went to high school in Mesa, Arizona, where he attained the all-state team in football ('40) and basketball ('41) and earned eight major letters. After graduation he heeded the call to arms and served four years in the Navy. Going to Arizona U. he had a remarkable athletic career. "Junior" was on the second team All-Border Confeernce for three years in basketball and one year in football. In '49 he was second in the conference in scoring with a 13.6 points per game average as basketball center. He scored 27 points in his Madison Square Garden debut. "Moose" had many pro offers but chose coaching as his career.

Coach is married and has a one year old basketball prospect toddling around. "So far as I know I will be back next year," said the coach. Nearly everyone who has worked under him hopes so.

The Yellowjacket football team started the season with high hopes. The squad hit a bad mid-season slump, however, and couldn't seem to find itself until the season was nearly over. They scored only 8 points in their first five games against 87 for their opponents. The Green and Gold ended the season in a burst of glory as they upset arch-rival Parker by a thumping 32-0 count.

The Season—Game by Game. . . .

Sept. 16 Blythe—12, Yuma JV's—8

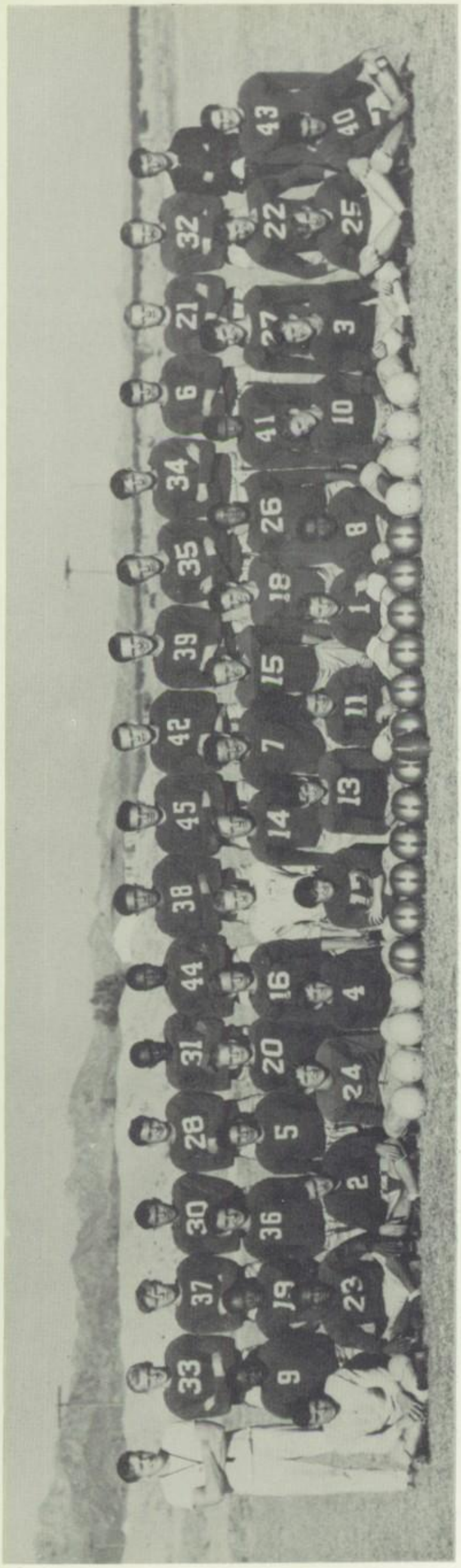
Our first game of the season was played under the lights at the Rodeo Grounds. Yuma, forced deep into its own territory by a long kick-off by Hickey, fumbled after two minutes of the first quarter. Blythe recovered on the 12 and three plays later Martin plunged over left guard for a TD. Five plays later, Blythe scored again. Yuma was forced to punt as they got nowhere trying for a first-down. John took the punt on the 25 and galloped 75 yards through beautiful interference for the score. The try for point failed and the score stood 12-0. Late in the second quarter the Yuma Criminals were on our 1. Martin backed into the end zone to kick out of danger and stepped out of the playing field to give Yuma 2 points. That was all the scoring until the 4th quarter, when with 35 seconds to go, Yuma scored from the 1. Crowder was outstanding in the line. In statistics the teams were fairly evenly matched. Blythe had a net gain of 216 yards to Yuma's 201. Yuma led in first downs, 10 to 6.

Sept. 23 Basic—20, Blythe—0

The Yellowjackets trecked to Henderson, Nevada, for their first league game and returned with nothing to show for their efforts but bruises. The Basic Wolves did nothing spectacular, but their two backfield aces kept eating up groundage, slowly but surely, all during the game. Lopeman and Galloway were hard men to stop. The local lads never got within 20 yards of pay dirt during the whole game. Hickey and Martin did yeomen work whenever they got the ball but that was all too seldom. Bob Ozbirn held the line together both on offense and defense.

Oct. 7 Boulder City—33, Blythe—0

The unstoppable Eagle "steamroller" from Nevada paid Blythe a visit on a Friday night. As usual, they came out on the long end of the score, but it was a moral victory for Blythe. Why? Boulder City failed to score their usual 50 points! All joking aside, though, the local yokles put up a good performance against the Tri-State League Champs. The Green and Gold held them to but 6 points in the first half. In the second quarter a 42 yard run by Martin set up a scoring opportunity on the 18. There the Yellowjacket drive bogged down. Several other similar situations developed, but all met the same fate. Boulder's Joe Kine got loose in the second



half. He picked up 203 yards on the ground and passed for 91 in addition to scoring 24 points and passing for 6. Mansperger, Crowder, and Mendoza were outstanding in the line for Blythe. Incidentally, this was our first game played in single-wing formation.

Oct. 15 Needles—14, Blythe—6

At this contest, fought at Needles, the Yellowjackets continued their uncontested drive into the league cellar. It was a rather dull contest in which neither team could gain much headway against each other. As the lines of both squads held, it was mainly a passing game. In the second quarter a Needles pass was good for 21 yards and 6 points. Midway through the third quarter a center plunge for 1 added another TD.

The Yellowpacket hoop squad, with all varsity lettermen except one returning was expected to go places this year. They were faced by a very tough schedule, featuring only five home games and a few two and three-day trips. They played off-again-on-again ball. On nights when they were hot they were unbeatable. Unfortunately, the nights when they were on were outnumbered by the nights when they weren't.

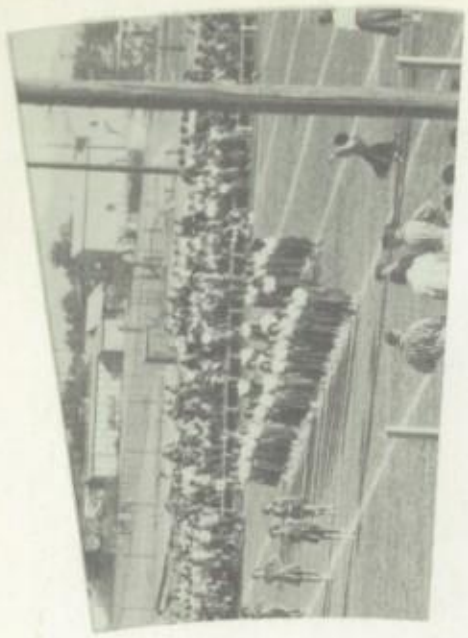
The Yellowjacket fives opened the season by tackling Yuma at the Criminal's gym. The freshmen lost by three points in the first game. The 'B' squad next got skunked by a taller bunch who held them to 12 points. The varsity couldn't do much better, but played a brilliant game.

Next week, on the local floor, the 'A' squad failed to do much of anything except miss setups in the first half as an inferior Parker team piled up a huge lead in the first half. In the second half the boys staged a terrific rally, but as the buzzer sounded the Bronco's still clung to a one-point lead. The 'B' squad eked out a victory and the Forsh won easily.

On Jan. 6th the Green and Gold got it's first victory of the season, a thumping defeat of a green Basic team. The bench was vacated as everyone got into the act. The 'B' boys walked off with another win.

The next night, the local lads cooled off a bit and got trounced by the Coachella Arabs at Coachella. The 'B' team lost a close one; whereas the freshmen lost by a large count.

On the 12th, the 'A' and 'B' squads made the 200 mile trek to Boulder City. The next night they went over to play Las Vegas and then came back to Henderson, Nevada to play Basic High. All the boys got out of the trip was one 'B' victory, some fun, and a bus-load of colds. All of the six games were close except the 'A' game at Vegas, which we lost by 20 points, and the 'B' game at Basic, which we won. Without the grueling trips such as this, the Yellowjackets would have won far more games than they did.



HOMECOMING

HOTEL
HOTEL
Shop
ROTARY

Celebrating the second annual homecoming was an event which will be remembered for many years to come. It started with a bonfire and pep rally, Thursday evening. All the students turned out to wish the team success in their game against Kingman Friday.

The big parade was Friday afternoon with every class or club and many downtown organizations entering floats. The Spanish Club was the only school float which placed and it took third. The half-time crowning of the queen and introduction of honored guests was very memorable. Bob Ozbirn and Nancy Padgett reigned as king and queen over the events. The honored guests included Mrs. Val Buck, the former Leora Culpepper and first graduate of the high school and Mr. George Scott former superintendent.

Blythe won the game over Kingman 7-0. This concluded the celebration for the high school students but the alumni had a breakfast Saturday morning and danced that evening to the music of Johnny Allen's orchestra.

Homecoming

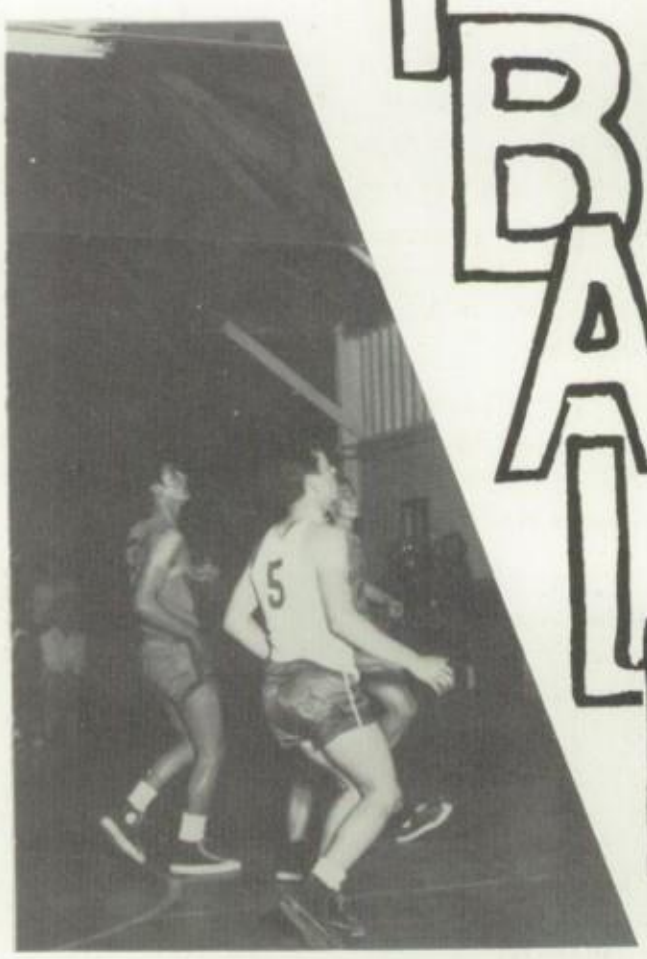
SONG LEADERS

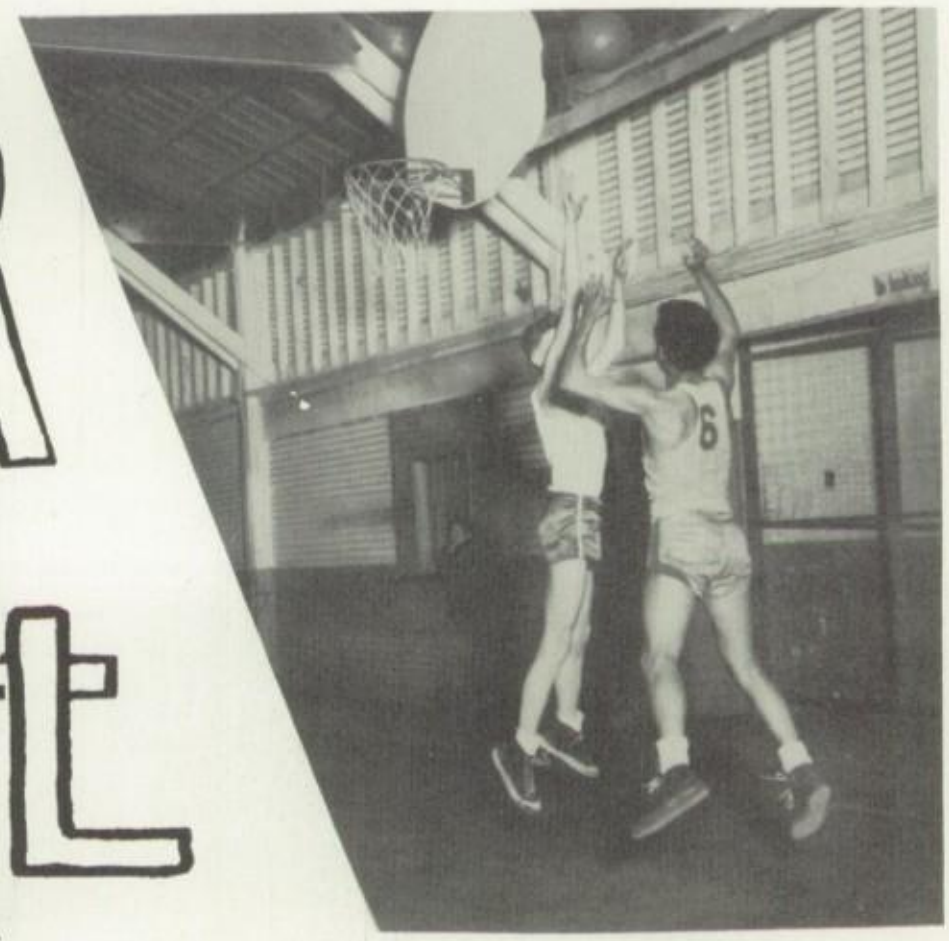
Mary Ellen Neighbors
Ruth Farrage
Elaine Carter

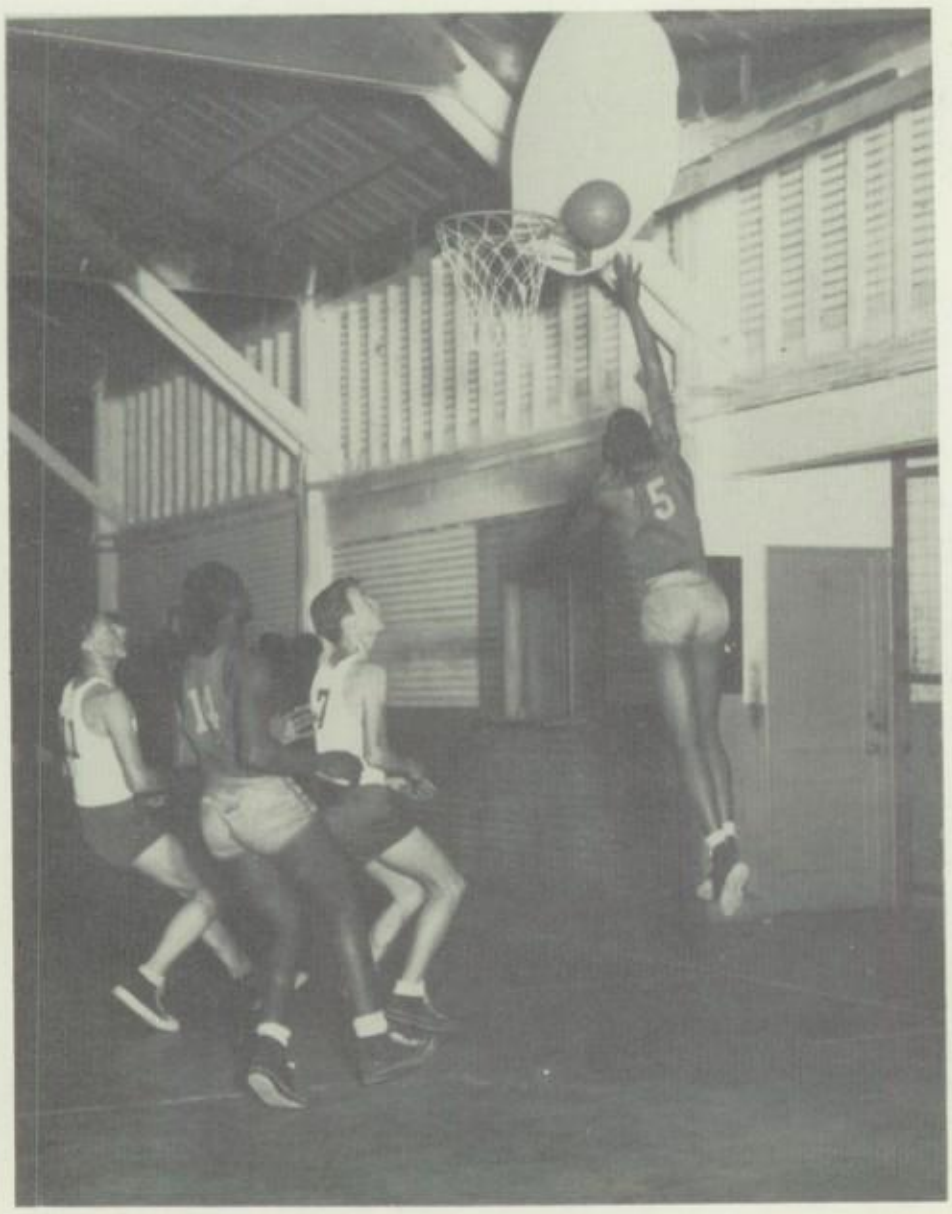
CHEER LEADERS

Yvonne Sharp
Joy Sue Murdock
Joyce Thomason

BASKETBALL







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Next week, on the local floor, the 'A' squad failed to do much of anything except miss setups in the first half as an inferior Parker team piled up a huge lead in the first half. In the second half the boys staged a terrific rally, but as the buzzer sounded the Bronco's still clung to a one-point lead. The 'B' squad eked out a victory and the Forsh won easily.

On Jan. 6th the Green and Gold got it's first victory of the season, a thumping defeat of a green Basic team. The bench was vacated as everyone got into the act. The 'B' boys walked off with another win.

The next night, the local lads cooled off a bit and got trounced by the Coachella Arabs at Coachella. The 'B' team lost a close one; whereas the freshmen lost by a large count.

On the 12th, the 'A' and 'B' squads made the 200 mile trek to Boulder City. The next night they went over to play Las Vegas and then came back to Henderson, Nevada to play Basic High. All the boys got out of the trip was one 'B' victory, some fun, and a bus-load of colds. All of the six games were close except the 'A' game at Vegas, which we lost by 20 points, and the 'B' game at Basic, which we won. Without the grueling trips such as this, the Yellowjackets would have won far more games than they did.

The next week-end the teams (A and B) went traveling again. This time they went to Kingman, where they won an easy 'B' game and a hard-fought 'A' game from the Bulldogs. Continuing on to Seligman, 244 miles from Blythe on lousy roads, the boys ran into trouble. The 'B' team almost got stung in the last of the game and the 'A' team lost to a team that couldn't have beat the 'B' team the night before. The fellows came home by way of Prescott.

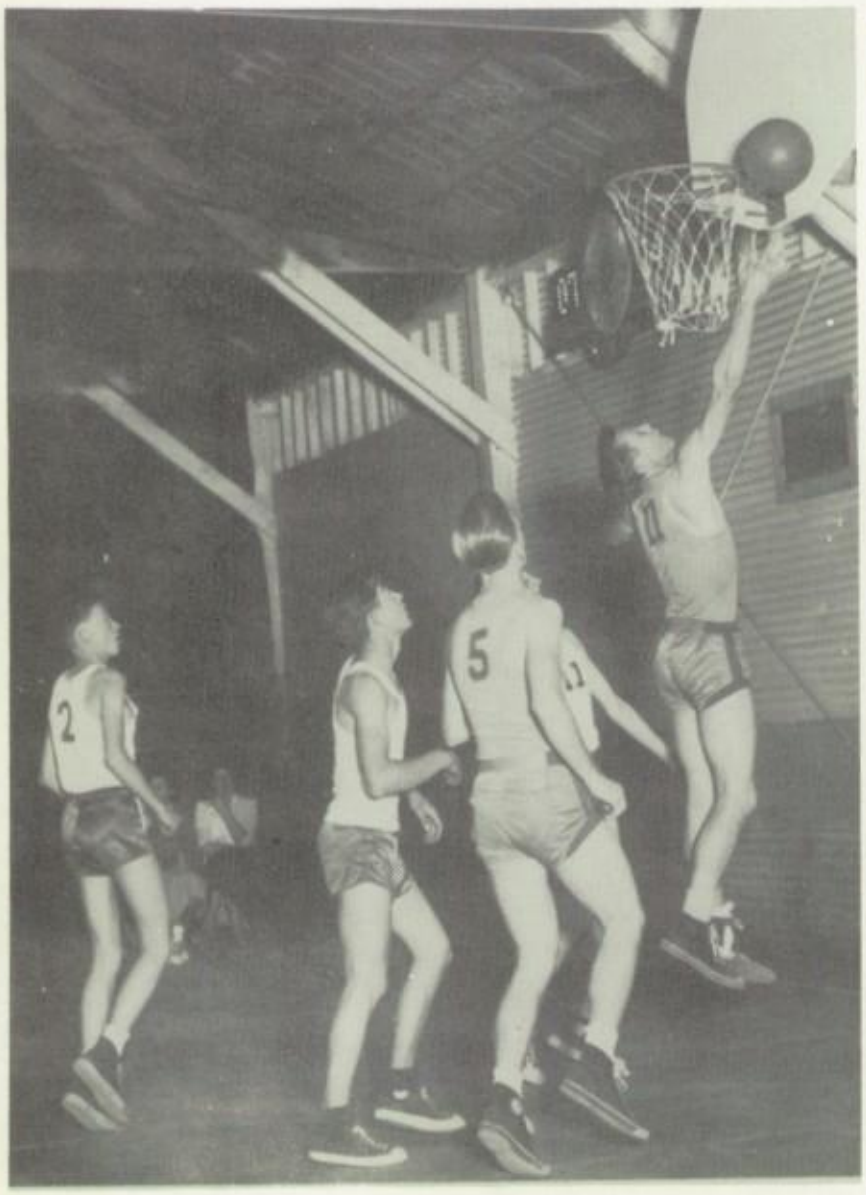
Jan. 20th all three teams converged on Parker, our arch-rival for sweet revenge. They got it, but it was close. The freshmen set the pace for the night with a one-point win. The B's easily won. In the varsity game Parker held a four point lead for most of the game until the last few minutes. A free throw with a few seconds to go gave us a one-point victory.

The night after featured some thrilling basketball in our gym. The Frosh won by a single diget in an overtime. The B gang made their usual easy win. But the A game, with the conference champs, Needles, was the thriller. At the end of the regulation game the score was knotted, 23-all after a very tight game. In the next three minutes, as luck would have it, Needles scored five points to win.

On the third and fourth of February the local lads played 29 Palms and Palm Springs. The B string scored an easy win in both games. The A string won by just three counters at 29 Palms and lost a very close one at the Springs (two points).

Tasting for more revenge, the Yellowjackets went up to Needles. For once, they didn't get it. The freshmen won by a big margin. Then came the surprise. The B team got beat! They lost a close one by three points. The A game instead of being the close thing as it was in Blythe was a walkaway for Needles.

The next four games showed the home folks that the local team could play basketball, in spite of their won-lost record. On the 18th the Palm Springs Indians got scalped twice. The B game resulted as expected. The A team also won by 12 points.



In our last games of the season the freshmen trounced the 29 Palms B by a wide margin. Then the A team, suiting out with the B's (just back from Santa Monica) practiced their shots against the 29 Palms A's. About 20 players saw action in this game against 29 Palms.

Our all-conquering B-string followed in the footsteps of last years B squad by being one of 16 Southern California B teams invited to the annual Santa Monica Tourney. On Thursday the 23rd, traveling in three cars, the team left for Santa Monica. The next day they beat Oceanside by three points in a game in which the "enemy" made a stirring rally at the end of the game. That evening the local yokels had the misfortune of tangling with Santa Monica, who eventually won the tournament. In spite of playing a terrific game, Blythe lost 30-53.

L. Roberts, J. Rice, E. Mack, W. Williams, D. Farrage, E. Roggenstein, M. Rodriquez, F. Murdock, C. Appleton, B. Ozbirn, J. Esler, A. Ozbirn, Junior Crum.

F. Stovall, D. Williams, B. Jones, R. Adams, N. Pedone, Crum, D. Randsom, D. Leivas, R. Williams, C. Black.

M. Martin, L. Edomond, M. Dyche, R. Caldera, G. Moss, J. George, T. Todd, A. Anderson, H. Hermandez, J. Dwiggins, F. Cota, J. Gillin, D. Rose, W. Phillips, mgr., Mr. Phillip Gorth, Coach.

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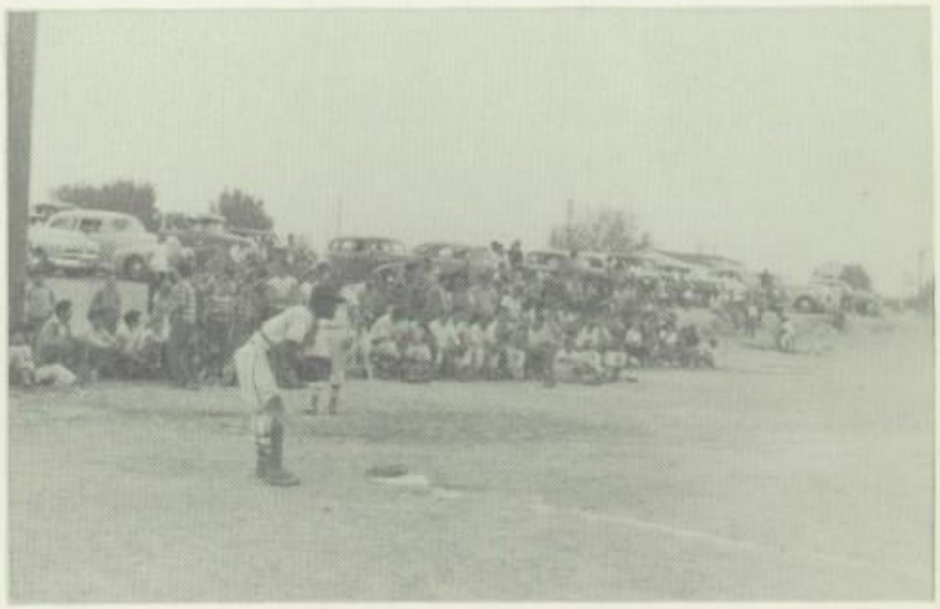
BASEBALL

The high school baseball team, as this goes to press has a good chance of taking the league title. The Yellowjackets have won three league contests and lost two.

On March 11th the season opened at Todd Park. The local nine took Kingman to the cleaners by the score of 14 to 4. The next foe, on the 17th was Needles, there. Mendoza clouted a homer with the bases loaded, but the Green and Gold got nosed out by a 9-8 count. A week later Basic defeated us 7 to 3, although Martin got a fourbagger.

The next day we got sweet revenge by edging Needles here 7-5 in a game in which 18 Needles players were left on base in 7 innings.

On the 31st the local squad journey to Henderson, Nevada to play Basic. Again revenge was in store. But it was close. Blythe was ahead 11 to 4, at the half of the last inning, and Basic made 6 runs before the last out was made.



On the 4th the J. V. team played Coachella's J V. They were swamped, 13-0 in five innings. The varsity, playing a non-league game was also defeated, 5-1.

At the end of six games the leading batters are Rice, .625, Martin, .571, Adams, .385 and Williams, .357. Martin leads in nearly all other batting departments.

The two varsity pitchers, Cross and Marquez, have split the mound duties, each having hurled three games.

An editor couldn't ask for a more capable staff than it has been my pleasure to work with this year. They have displayed the kind of ingenuity and resourcefulness that will make this yearbook stand out among the best.

Sally Doyle, Assistant Editor, did an excellent job of covering the numerous social events. Incidently, Sally is your best bet for a good annual editor next year. You will not find a more capable or efficient editor.

How do you like those title pages? They are the fine results of a lot of work on the part of Don Kramer, Art Editor. Don has proved a real asset to the staff.

Well! The sports write-ups at last! Sports Editor, Dale Van Dalsem may be a little slow, but after you read over his section you will agree that he is worth waiting for.

By the way, those individual football pictures were photographed by "Nick" Pedone, ace camera-man and staff photographer.

The Business Manager's job was placed in the very able hands of Georgia "Pudge" Dunagan.

Joyce Sterling, Louie Linares, "Pudge" Dunagan and "Sparky" Reed really overdid themselves on the class Will and Proprecy.

Lucille Stone's Junior section turned out mighty fine too. Jackie McJunkin and Barbara Cousins, annual Sales-girls, did a successful job for the Freshmen.

We should give Eleanor Raines a medal for the promptness on her many assignments. Eleanor had charge of the Sophomore division.

Say! If you want a real headache, try to run down those Senior class members. That is just what Louise Favret and Paula Creekmore had to do in order to obtain their individual activities.

Well, there is the staff, and a fine one it is.

Signed: Joe Bradley, Editor

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THE LITTLE ECHO

The Little Echo has come a long way since it first came out in 1919. From a little pamphlet it has grown into a six page printed paper. It has been improved a great deal this year. It now comes out once a week instead of once a month, its a larger paper now than it has ever been. These are only a few of the things the staff has been able to accomplish this year under the supervision of Mrs. Wright.

Let us hope that the good work that is being done will continue in the coming year.

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CHORUS

This year the chorus has made rapid strides forward under the direction of Mrs. Blanche Wright. As proof of this, they gave, in addition to their Christmas concert, a spring concert. The concert consisted of an Easter Cantata plus several other numbers. The chorus was beautifully attired in pastel colored formals. The chorus also sang several times on the "Youth On Parade" radio program.

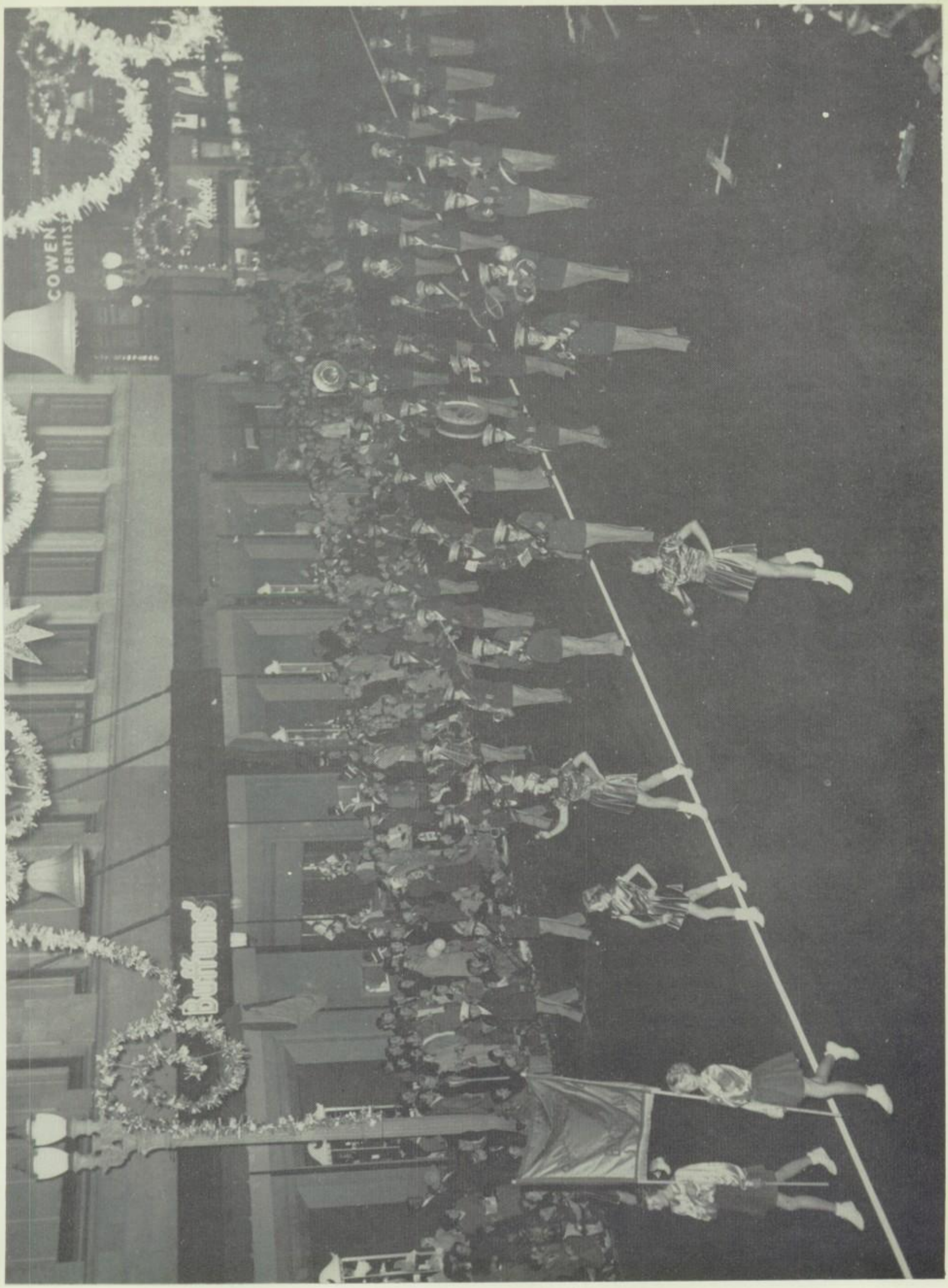
The girls sextette, composed of Beverly Dysart, Virginia Darland, Maxine McGuire, Phyllis Bearden, Nancy Ehlers, and Nancy Padgett have also attracted quite a bit of attention for their outstanding work this year.

These two groups both ably accompanied by Josephine Kuttruff.

(Front row): Robert Utterback, guest soloist, and his accompanist Dorothy Allin. Virginia Darland, Maxine McGuire, Nancy Grande, Annie Arseo, June Rogers, Nadine Gruwell, Mrs. Wright.

(Second row): Veraline McDaniel, Beverly Dysart, Geraldine Blake, Betty Coats, Phyllis Bearden, Nancy Ehlers, Betty Perry, Marja McCord, Josephine Kuttruff.

(Third row): Lois Bowen, Joyce Bell, Geneva Phillips, Leah Osman, Edna Ackors, Beverly Muma, Nancy Padgett, Mary Sue Blume.



The Band at Lona Beach, California

Band

We have a band! From an odd collection of "would be" drummers, trumpets, and other instruments, Mr. Norvell came up with a band.

At first there would be queer noises from the trombone section, and the clarinets and flute were'nt all they could have been. However by the time we had played for all the high school and junior college footbal games, as well as serenading the basketball team we were pretty good.

On the first of October we went to Needles to enter in the "Marathon Band Meet", and returned from this trip with a beautiful trophy. We are also proud of the fact that Needles so admired our uniforms that they started a campaign to get some for their own band.

On November twenty sixth we made our longest trip of the year. This was to Long Beach to enter in the All Western Band Tournament. Here we received no prizes but it was a worth while trip for it gave us a chance to see other bands as well as to visit the city.

Other trips during the year included one to Needles and one to Indio to participate in the Fair.

All in all we feel that the band had a worthwhile year and may we, here and now thank our Band Boosters Club, the school officials, and the students for giving us your support.

CSF

J. Miles, D. VanDalsem, J. Grimes, D. Angus, G. Moss, R. Gilliam. (Second): N. Grande, L. Hardy, P. Chumbley, M. Whitlock, S. Doyle, L. Gentry, C. Giddings, C. Ankele, S. Herrera, C. Wood. (Third): Miss Martin, R. Cypert, T. Jones, J. Kuttruff, B. Coats, A. Cox, F. Karr, M. Burnett.

With many new students coming in, and very few old members dropping out, the CSF has had a rapidly growing membership, this year. They have been active although not as active as they wished to have been. Included in their plans are: A silver tea, trip to the Pasadena Playhouse, and a spring formal.

G. A. A.

The G. A. A. started off its activities with the initiation of new members. The new girls had to wear men's pajamas, at least six braids, men's shoes, no make-up and had to do a lot of silly things that added up to a lot of fun for both old and new members. About thirty girls took part in the initiation.

BASKETBALL

Second was the inter-class basketball tournament. To start it off the Sophomores took the Freshman by a score of 32-8. Next the Juniors and Seniors met—this came out 17-16, in favor of the Juniors. The final game was the play-off between the Juniors and the Sophomores which ended 25-13, making the Juniors the "champs". Then just for fun the J. C. girls played our Juniors, in a very good game. When the final whistle blew the score was a beautiful tie, 13-13.

GIRLS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

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VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball came next. . . . As usual the Sophomores and the Freshmen were first. In this game the score was 29-27, in favor of the Freshmen. Then the Junior-Senior game. Here the score was 34-27 with the Seniors being the victors here. As a climax the Seniors girls played the J. C. boys. This was a very interesting, if somewhat unethical game, what with the boys playing boys rules and the girls, girls rules. Who won? The girls of course!

Sadie Hawkins Day

On Friday, November 18, we saw some strange characters roaming the campus of Palo Verde High. There were characters such as Lil' Abner, Dasiy Mae, Mammy, and Pappy Yokum, Hairless Joe, and countless others. Jugs of kicapoo Joy Juice were placed inconspiciously in the corners of the classrooms. We saw some creatures who resembled Schmoos and Kigmies, but finally decided they were only students, without costumes.

As the day progressed, we saw more strange sights. There were gleams in all the girls eyes. A gleam that was always there, but this time it held the realization that they would have a chance to fulfill their greatest wish. They would have a fair chance to catch a man in a Sadie Hawkin's race which was held 5th and 6th periods. As for the boys, well, they went around with a defeated look about them, and some strangely disappointed.

The race was on! The boys were given a head start, which was useless, for the girls had saved all their energy for this great day. The race stretched across the first air strip, across the second, and from there, who knows?

A dance was provided in the Rec Hall, and as the girls caught their dates, they brought them into the dance to get warmed up for the big dance which was held Saturday night. A contest was held and Louise Favret and Dale Van Dalsem won first prizes for having the best costumes.

SPANISH CLUB

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M. Mays, N. Blocker, W. Shipley, J. Murdock, G. Blake, J. Thomason, E. Leon, R. Rodriquez, S. Grime, H. Baysinger, C. Ankele, J. Leon.

The Spanish Club, or Los Dos Americas, as it is called, is composed of first and second year students in Spanish, and is under the sponsorship of Mrs. Dorothy Villard.

The club's aim is to bring the two Americas closer together, and to create good will. The meetings are conducted in Spanish and are both interesting and colorful.

The club entered a float in the Homecoming parade which took first place in the High School division. This was a well deserved prize for much work was put on this float.

For Pan American Day the club put on a program which included several Spanish songs and dances as well as a skit. They also put on a radio broadcast of Uncle Remus in Spanish.

The officers are elected at the end of each year and keep their office for one year.

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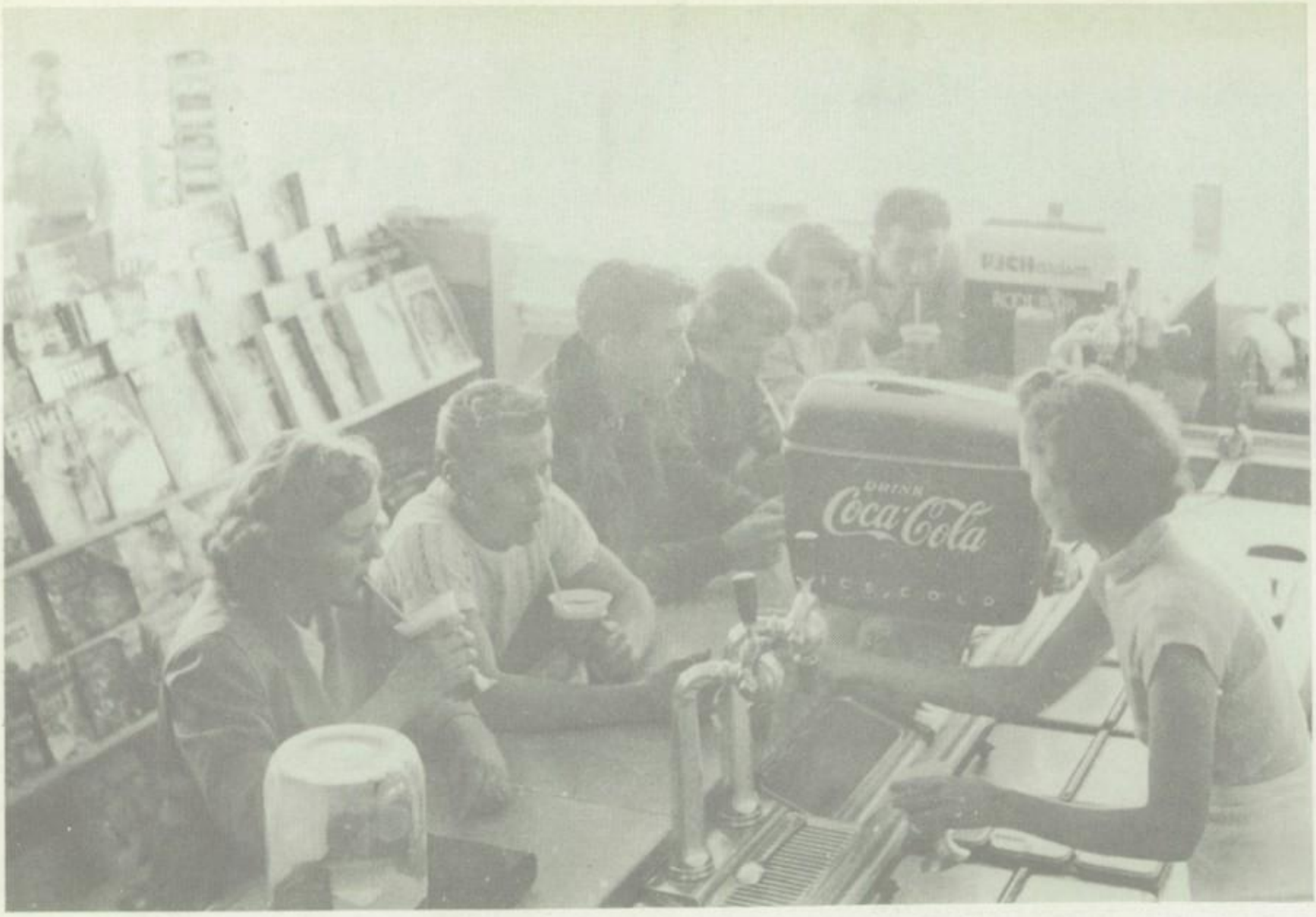

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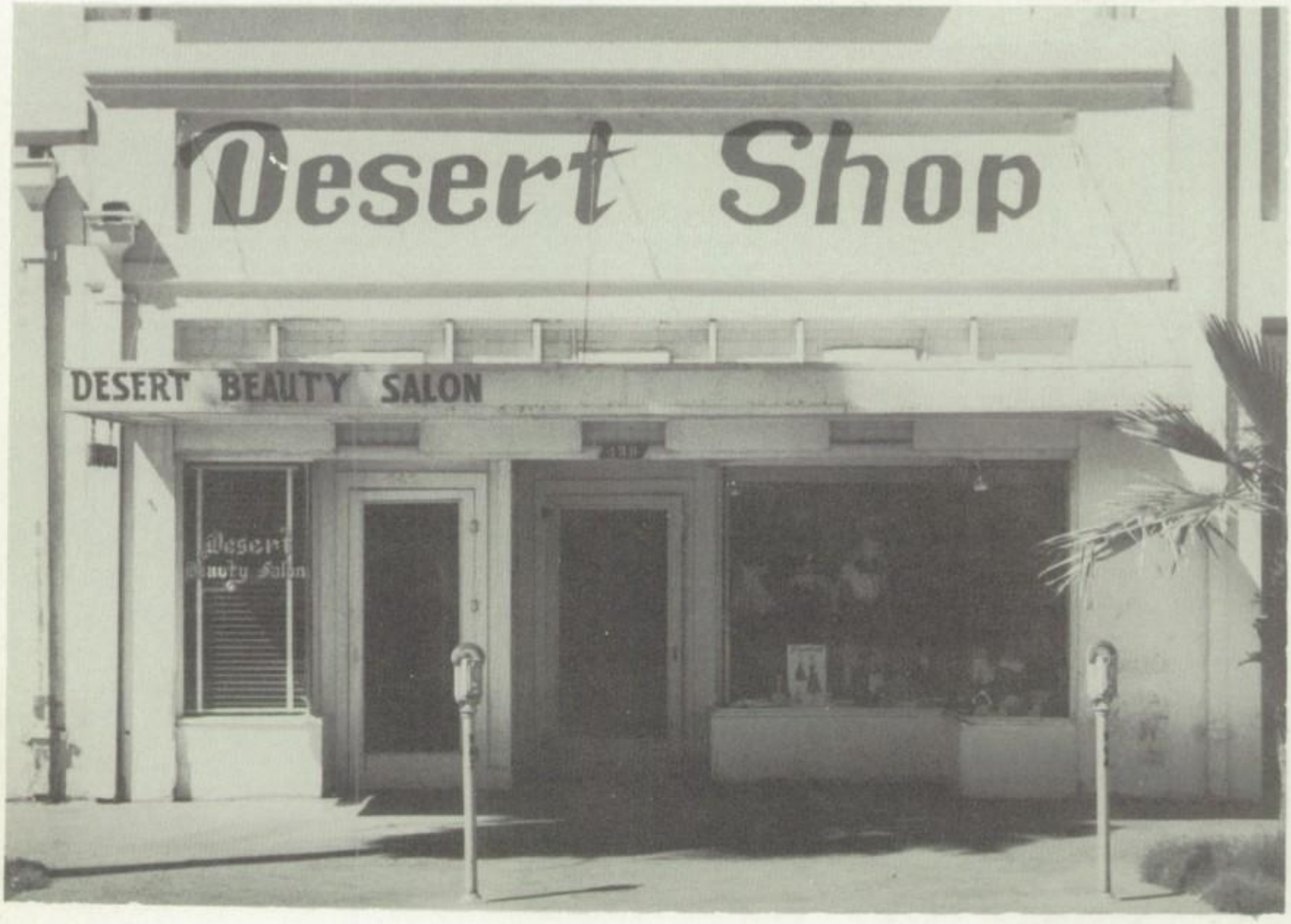

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Our most earnest desire is that this annual may fulfill your finest expectations. As editor, I wish to offer my congratulations to the graduating class, and I hope that The Echo of 1950 will serve as a monument to your memories—memories of four of the best years of your lives.

Joe Bradley

Virtually all the fine Senior Portraits and excellent group pictures in this yearbook were photographed by "Bert" Watts of the Photo Gift Shop in Blythe.